



**Righteousness:** God's perfection in every attribute, attitude, behavior, thought, and word. He is the eternally perfect standard of what is right.



**Justification:** refers to God's righteousness declaration that those who trust in Jesus are righteous and acquitted of sin. His justice is morally right, fair, and equitable.



**Redemption:** To buy out. A term used in reference to purchasing a slave's freedom.

We were slaves to sin and its consequences, but God purchased our freedom through Christ's death on the cross.



**Propitiation:** Appeasement or satisfaction that an offering accomplishes in turning away God's wrath against sin.



## Romans 3:21-31

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have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, <sup>25</sup> whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's



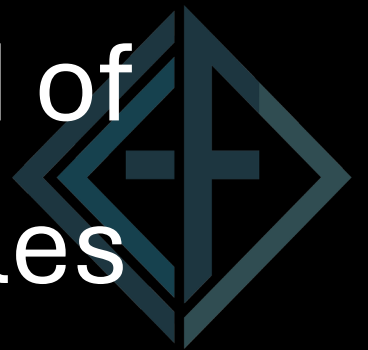
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Leader: **The Word of the Lord**  
Congregation: **Amen! Praise be to God!**



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## 2 Corinthians 5:21

<sup>21</sup> For our sake he made him to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.



## Romans 8:10 (NASB)

If Christ is in you, though the body is dead because of sin, yet the spirit is alive because of righteousness.



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## Luke 12:4-7

<sup>4</sup> “I tell you, my friends, do not fear those who kill the body, and after that have nothing more that they can do. <sup>5</sup> But I will warn you whom to fear: fear him who, after he has killed, has authority to cast into hell. Yes, I tell you, fear him! <sup>6</sup> Are not five



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sparrows sold for two pennies? And not one of them is forgotten before God. <sup>7</sup> Why, even the hairs of your head are all numbered. Fear not; you are of more value than many sparrows.”



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# Summary

God, who is perfect in all that He does (**Righteous**), rightly declared that we are acquitted (**Justified**) of all of our sins because through faith in Christ we were made righteousness in our spirit and in exchange, He took on our sin and paid our debt through



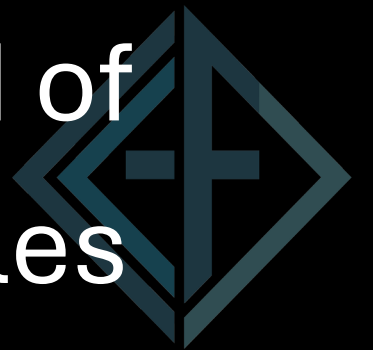
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His death on the cross (**Redemption**). Thus, we've averted God's wrath (**Propitiation**). In doing this, God has shown His perfect **justice** and perfect **love** for us.



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# Application

1. Trust in Jesus Christ as your Lord and Savior
2. Posture your heart to have greater reverent awe of God
3. Express your gratitude and renew your devotion to following the Lord.

