Spiritual Readiness¹

Book of Romans - 3:1-24

NOTES:

Application Questions

Read Romans 3:1-20 – One point and one question:

- 1. Point: The words "righteousness of God" are being used in vv. 1-8 to declare that God is faithful and trustworthy to His Covenant that He established with Abraham despite our unfaithfulness.
- **2. Question:** So, what is the point of the OT Law of God according to these verses? (Focus on 3:19-20 for discussion)
 - So what? Who cares? Why is this important to you?
 [You might not immediately have an answer, but if you really think about it, it should bring conviction and a yearning to seek God's grace]

Read Romans 3:21-24 – Consider the above related to these questions:

- **1. Question¹:** If the "Righteousness of God" means "The LORD's Covenant faithfulness," then how has His "righteousness" been revealed (hint, v. 22 explain your reasoning).
- **2. Question²:** Define "sin" in v. 23. After defining sin, explain why a "good" person who does not believe in Jesus would *not* be declared righteous in God's sight?
- **3.** Question³: When you read "justified" it means "righteous" based on all the above, how is a person declared "righteous" according to v. 24?
- **4. Final Question:** Think of your conclusion in 3:19-20 and your answer to **"So What? Who cares?"** Do you see a connection, now, between vv. 19-20 and v. 24 as to why it matters?

¹ "Already, not yet." We are studying Romans so that you understand the gospel of Jesus and are Spiritually Ready for the Day of Salvation.