

Romans Study Outline

- I. Introducing Justification by Faith Alone (1:1-17)
- II. Justification by Faith Alone is Necessary (1:18-3:20)
- III. Justification by Faith Alone is Sufficient (3:21-28)
- IV. Justification by faith alone is an Old Covenant concept (4)
- V. The benefits of Justification by faith alone (5)
 1. Justified (5:1)
 2. Peace with God (5:1)
 3. Access to His grace which preserves (5:2)
 4. Hope of glory (5:2)
 5. An attitude of rejoicing even in suffering (5:3)
 6. Love of God poured out into our hearts (5:5)
 7. Saved from God's wrath (5:9)
 8. Reconciliation with God (5:10)
- VI. Justification by faith alone is not antinomian (6)
- VII. Justification by faith alone is victorious (7-8)
- VIII. Justification by faith alone is credible (9-11)
 1. God has the right to save some and not others (9:19-21).
 2. In both condemnation and salvation God reveals His justice and His mercy (9:22-29).
 3. God continues to maintain a remnant who will believe. (10:9-17)
- IX. Justification by faith alone produces holiness, love & humility (12-16)
 1. Individual
 2. Corporate
 3. Social/Civil

NT Survey: Class Schedule

10	12-Nov-23	Romans
11	19-Nov-23	1 Corinthians
12	26-Nov-23	2 Corinthians

New Testament Survey

Class 10: Romans¹

Introduction

- The message of Romans: For in the Gospel the righteousness from God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, 'The righteous shall live by faith.' (Romans 1:17).
- Background
- Justification = "declared righteous"

1:1-3:20 Humanity deserves God's wrath

But because of your hard and impenitent heart you are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath when God's righteous judgment will be revealed (Romans 2:5).

- God's wrath is our biggest problem (Romans 1:18; 2:5)
- No one can be justified by their works
- Every person has rejected God (Romans 3:9-20)

3:21-28 Justification is through faith alone

The righteousness of God comes through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe (Romans 3:22).

- A propitiation: a sacrifice that takes away God's wrath (3:25)
- Justification is by faith alone (3:27-30)

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Ch. 4 Justification by faith alone did not begin in the New Testament

What does the Scripture say? 'Abraham believed God, and it was counted to him as righteousness' (Romans 4:3).

- Is justification by faith really biblical?
- Imputation

Ch. 5 The benefits of justification by faith alone in Christ

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ (Romans 5:1).

- Have you spent time praising Him for the many benefits which have accrued to you as a result of His work on your behalf?
- Second Adam- how gracious is God that many sins are covered by one man, Jesus Christ!

Ch. 6-8 Justification is by faith alone but justifying faith is never alone

- Ch. 6 Justification by faith leads to a more righteous life

How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life (Romans 6:2-4).

- Chapter 7 & 8: the reality of ongoing sin, but also the certain hope of final victory for all who believe.

For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified (Romans 8:29-30).

Ch. 9-11 Did God's promise fail?

It is not as though God's word had failed. For not all who are descended from Israel are Israel. Nor because they are his descendants are they all Abraham's children (Romans 9:6-7).

- Salvation isn't a birthright, but something that God works as he chooses for His Name's Sake!
1. God has the right to save some, and not save others (9:19-21).
 2. God's reveals His justice and mercy in the condemnation and salvation of sinners (9:22-24).
 3. God has not changed his way of dealing with people- all must confess and believe (10:9-10,13).

Ch. 12-16 Justification by faith alone produces renewed lives and relationships

Love does no harm to its neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law (Romans 13:10)

- Individually (12)
- In civic life (13)
- Corporately within the church (14-15)