

<sup>21</sup> But now apart from the Law *the* righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, <sup>22</sup> even *the* righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; for there is no distinction; <sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; <sup>25</sup> whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith for the demonstration His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; <sup>26</sup> for the demonstration, of His righteousness at the present time, so that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. (Romans 3:21-26)

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    - every person is held captive to sin's power under God's righteousness judgment—God is justified!

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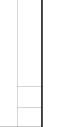
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## God's Righteousness in Christ

- The righteousness of God is a saving righteousness *given* through faith in Jesus Christ
- This results in the "justification" (vindication) of the unrighteous through faith

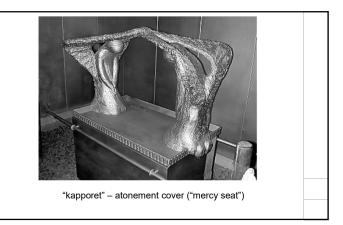
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- 1. The Basis of Justification
  - Christ's death is the ransom that effects our release from the penalty and power of sin
  - Christ's substitutionary death was the execution of God's just wrath against us

### God's Righteousness in Christ

- 2. The Demonstration of God's Righteousness
  - the purpose of Christ's death is the vindication of God in His saving judgment
  - the cross demonstrates God's righteousness so that He might come to be just AND the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus

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God justifies the ungodly by grace alone through faith alone in Christ alone to God's glory alone