

The Book of Romans

“A RIGHTEOUSNESS FROM GOD!”

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Text: 3:19-31 Lesson: 6b



TEXT:

3:19 Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held **accountable to God**. **20** For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

21 But now the **righteousness of God** has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— **22** the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: **23** for all have sinned and fall short of the **glory of God**, **24** and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in **Christ Jesus**, **25** whom **God** put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show **God's righteousness**, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. **26** It was to show **his righteousness** at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has **faith in Jesus**.

27 Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? By a law of works? No, but by the law of faith. **28** For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law. **29** Or is **God the God of Jews** only? Is he not **the God of Gentiles also**? Yes, of Gentiles also, **30** since **God is one**—who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith. **31** Do we then overthrow the law by this faith? By no means! On the contrary, we uphold the law.

STUDY NOTES:

I. The Law of God Holds All People Accountable

19 Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held **accountable to God**. **20** For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.
(Jn 10:34; 15:25; 1 Cor 14:21)

II. Several Pictures of Justification by Grace

21 But now the **righteousness of God** has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— **22** the **righteousness of God through** faith in **Jesus Christ** for all who believe. For there is no distinction: **23** for all have sinned and fall short of the **glory of God**, (**Ps 32:1,2; Hab 2:4**)

24 and are justified by his grace as a gift, through (**Gal. ch. 2 and 3**)

the redemption that is in **Christ Jesus**, (**Ps 130:7; 1 Cor 1:30; Gal 4:5; Eph 1:7,14; Col 1:14; Heb 9:12**)

25 whom **God** put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. (**1 Jn 2:2**)

This was to show **God's righteousness**, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins.
(**Acts 17:30**)

26 It was to show **his righteousness** at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. (**Gal 2:16; 3:11; Eph 2:9**)

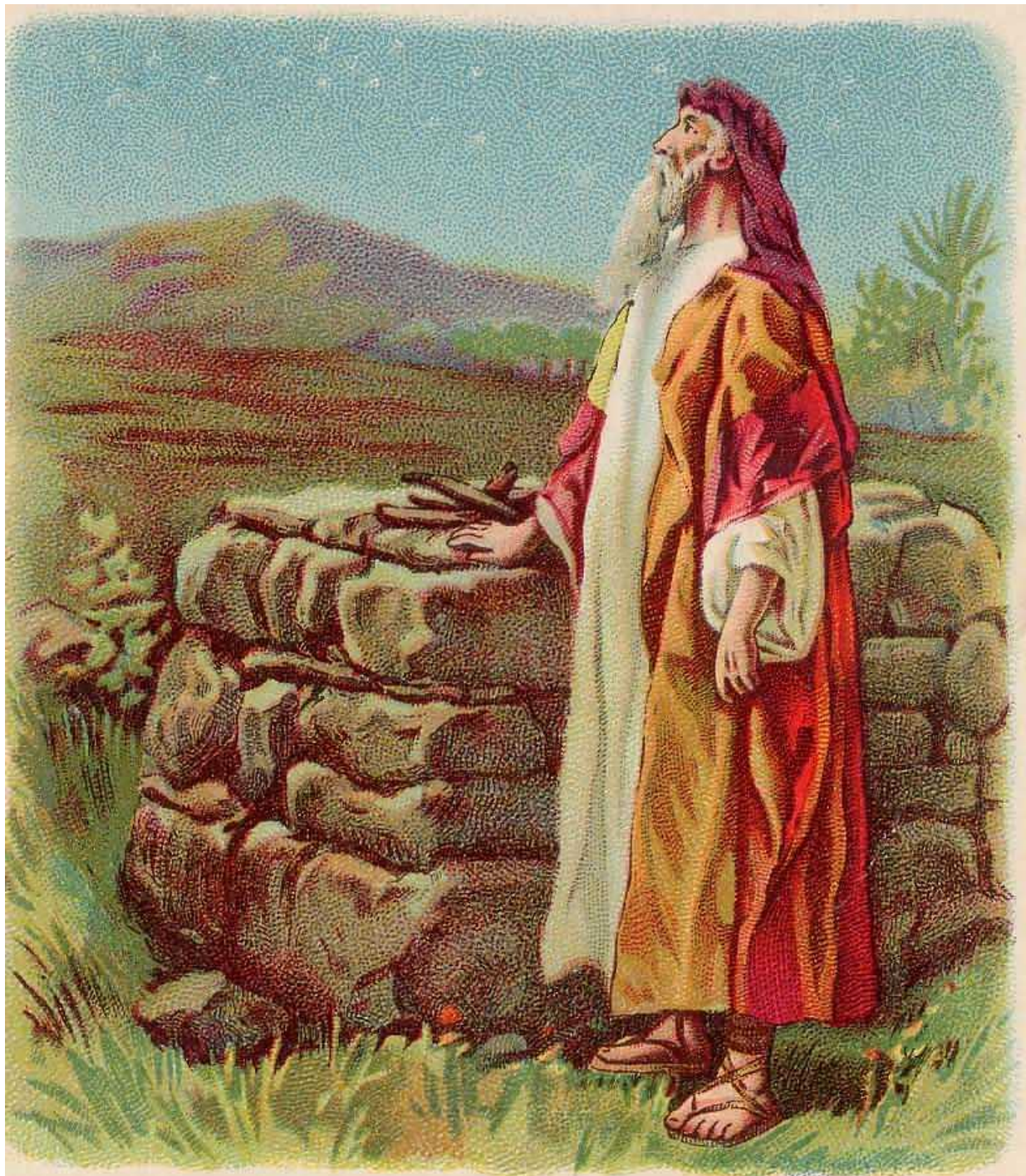
III. Justified by Faith, We Uphold the Law

28 For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law. **30** since **God is one**—who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith. **31** Do we then overthrow the law by this faith? By no means! On the contrary, we uphold the law.
(**Dt 6:4; Gal 3:8, 28**)

LIFE APPLICATION:

1. Why do we say that we are saved “by grace through faith”? (Note the prepositions!)
2. How were and are all people saved, always in exactly the same way, since Adam and Eve until the Last Day?
3. Once a person is saved (justified) how then do we uphold the law (sanctified)?





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James 2 : 14-23.

I WILL SHOW THEE MY FAITH BY MY WORKS.

Epistola s. PAULI ad Galatas.



Die Epistel St. Pauli
an die Galater.

Epistola S. PAULI ad Romanos.



Die Epistel St. Pauli
an die Römer.