

*The Gospel is the Power of God for Salvation.***1. Justification—God Imputes His Righteousness by Christ. Rom. 1-5**

- a. Paul explained the Gospel is God’s power for salvation to believers, living by faith (1).
- b. Unbelieving Jews are judged by the Law (2), and all of us are guilty before God (3).
- c. We are justified by God’s imputing righteousness (4) by faith, with peace and joy (5).

*“For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith,”... “for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, 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. 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,” Rom. 1:16-17... 3:23-26*

**2. Sanctification—God Transforms us into Christ’s Image. Rom. 6-14**

- a. God brings death to our sin (6), making us alive in Christ to God (7).
- b. The Spirit delivers us from sin (8). Israel seeks works, rejects Christ (9-11).
- c. Christians have responsibilities with God’s righteousness (12-13), and liberties (14).

*“the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose. 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.,” ... “Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect,” Rom. 8:27b-30 ... 12:2*

**3. Glorification—God Brings us to Glorify Him in Obedient Faith. Rom. 15-16**

- a. Be the example of Christ, as He became a Servant that we might glorify God (15).
- b. Paul prayed that Christians might be filled with joy, peace, belief and hope (15:13).
- c. Paul appealed to them to share in all blessings (15), and prayed his doxology (16).

*“Now to him who is able to strengthen you according to my gospel and the preaching of Jesus Christ, according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages but has now been disclosed and through the prophetic writings has been made known to all nations, according to the command of the eternal God, to bring about the obedience of faith—to the only wise God be glory forevermore through Jesus Christ! Amen,” Rom. 16:25-27*

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