


-Session #4: Theology-

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BILL WITHERS
WHO IS HE
(AND WHAT IS HE TO YOU?)

Not...
 • "Lean On Me"
 • "Ain't No Sunshine When She's..."
 • "Just the Two of Us"

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Review: -The Attributes of God-

- **Eternality** - always has and always will exist
- **Freedom** - God exists independently of His creation

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Review: -The Attributes of God-

- **Holiness** – God is 100% pure...
 - Separated and detached from evil
 - Separated and detached from that which is unclean

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-The Attributes of God-

- **Righteousness**
- God does everything “right”
- He is a just God (emphasizes justice)
 - Theodicy – defined as the justice of God
 - Question: If God is omnibenevolent and omnipotent, how can He allow bad things to happen to good people?

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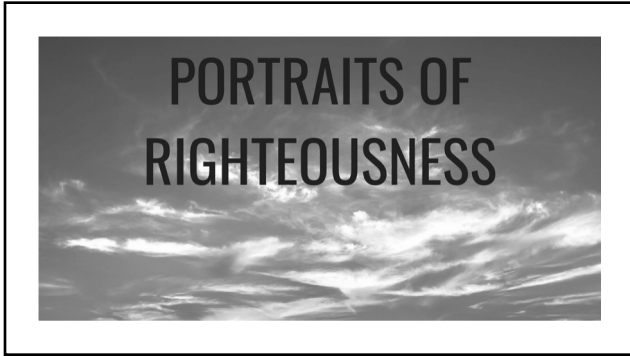
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-The Attributes of God-

- **Righteousness (continued)**
- God is perfect in every way concerning law, morality, and justice (equitable)
- See Dt 32:4; Ps 11:7; 19:9; 119:172; 145:17; Jer 23:6; 33:16; Dan 9:7; Acts 17:31; 1 John 1:5

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-Righteousness of God-

- The “Righteousness of God” is **imputing** (accounted or credited -- λογίζομαι) the *acts* and *attitudes* of Jesus Christ to us...

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-Righteousness of God-

- In the Book of Romans, the Righteousness of God is...
 - ...taking on the *attitudes and actions of Jesus Christ*
 - God placing people into a “*right relationship*” with Him, as they trust Christ as Savior.
 - See 1:16-17; 3:21-22; 6:12-14, 17-23; 8:16-18, 28-30; 14:17

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-Righteousness of God-

- The Christ likeness allows the believer to overcome the “*sin nature*” in our flesh
 - 1:16-18, 24, 26, 28; chapters 5, 6, 7, and 8
- Ultimately, we go on to “*glorification*”
 - Romans 8:16-18, 30
 - 1 John 3:1-3
 - (Ps 17:15, debated passage)



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-Righteousness of God-

- Threats: Don’t forget about the 3 enemies attempting to thwart our progressive sanctification...
 - Sin Nature (aka: our flesh)
 - Satan
 - System of the World
- See Gal. 5:16; Eph. 6:11-13; 1 Tim. 5:14-15; James 1:27; 4:4; 1 Peter 5:8; 1 John 2:16; 3:7-10; Rev. 12:10-11



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-Righteousness of God-

- Threats:
 1. Sin Nature...(Rom. 7:18-24)
 - We are told to *deny* the flesh
 - See Matt 16:24; Rom. 6:6, 12-14; 8:13; Gal 5:16-25; Eph. 6:11-13; 1 Tim. 5:14; James 4:4; 1 John 2:16; 3:7-10; Rev. 12:10



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-Righteousness of God-

• Threats:

2. Satan...(1 Pet. 5:8)

☐ We are told to resist Satan. (1 Pet. 5:6-9)

3. System of the World...(1 John 2:15-17)

☐ We are told to flee it (1 Tim. 6:6-11; 2 Tim. 2:22)

PORTRAITS OF
RIGHTEOUSNESS

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Salvation Matters...

*What is salvation?
Why is salvation important?
How do I obtain it?
Is there life after death?
Am I going to heaven?*

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Salvation Matters...

• So, Salvation...is seen as a process and *not a point in time* and that process includes:

• Justification – declared righteous (acquit)

• Sanctification – set apart for God’s service

• Glorification – perfect in all our ways (sinless)

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Salvation Matters...

- **The essence of salvation is to restore one to wholeness or soundness.**
- **It is to remove the sin barrier and refashion the believer into a harmonious state with God.**

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Salvation Matters...

- **So, what are we saved from...**
 - **Penalty of Sin.....Your Past**
 - **Power of Sin.....Your Present**
 - **Presence of Sin...Your Future**
- **This is called the “3 Tenses of Salvation” outlined on the next few slides.**

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-The 3 Tenses of Salvation-

- Past - We are saved from the
Penalty of Sin - - -Justification
- Present - We are saved from the
Power of Sin - - - Sanctification
- Future - We are saved from the
Presence of Sin - - -Glorification

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Salvific Process...

Tenses...	Saved From...	Salvific Result
Past	Penalty of Sin	Justification
Present	Power of Sin	Sanctification
Future	Presence of Sin	Glorification

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-Justification-

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“Justification”

Past Tense: We are saved from the Penalty of Sin (declared righteous)

- **Key Principle: Faith alone...in Christ alone**
- **Scriptures:**
☞ Luke 7:50; John 3:16; Romans 3:21-4:25; 5:1, 9, 18; I Cor. 12:13; Gal. 2:15-16; Eph. 2:8-9; Titus 3:5-7

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“Justification”

- Saving Faith Alone...in...
- Comprehending the claims of Christ
- Having confidence in the claims of Christ
- Being committed to the claims of Christ

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“Justification”

- Faith Alone...in...Christ Alone.
- Scriptures where only *“faith”* is required for salvation: Acts 16:31; 10:43; 13:38-39; 26:18; Luk 24:47; John 3:16, 36; Rom 3:21-28; 4:1-17; 11:6; Gal 3:8-9; Eph 2:8-9.

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“Justification”

- Faith Alone...in...Christ Alone.
- Here are some Scriptures where only *“faith”* is required for the forgiveness (ἄφεσις, *áphêsis*) of sin in Acts: 5:31; 10:43; 13:38; 26:18.

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“Justification”

- Justification comes by way of God’s grace and “Forensic Forgiveness”
 - A legal term of art whereby evidence in the courtroom of heaven is presented to show that the accused (person who trusted Christ as Savior) is deemed NOT guilty!
 - See “Familial Forgiveness” under Sanctification.

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“Justification”

- We “avoid” the death penalty (for sin) and acquire LIFE (Eternal and Abundant)!
 - Scriptures...John 3:16; Romans 3:21-4:25; 6:23
- Two Installments of LIFE
 - Eternal Life, John 3:16
 - Abundant Life, John 10:10

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“Justification”

- Installment #1...
- We “acquire” ...Eternal Life
 - Quantity of Life...which is free to us...
 - ...but it cost Jesus a *great price* that He paid with His *precious blood*.
 - Rom. 3:25; 5:9-10, 20-21; John 1:4; 3:16, 36; 5:39-40; 6:40; Acts 16:31; 10:43; 13:38-39; 20:28; 26:18; 1 Cor. 11:25; Eph. 1:7; 2:13; Hebrews 9:12-14; 10:3-14; 13:11-12, 20; 1 John 5:13; Rev. 5:9-10; 7:14

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“Justification”

- Installment #2...
- We also have “*available*” to us...Abundant Life
 - “Quality of Life”... we must earn it
 - This comes by way of...
 - Living by Faith (Rom 1:17)
 - Walking in Obedience (Rom 6:1-14; 8:1-18)
 - A Life of Faithful Service (Rom 12:1-21)
 - John 10:10; 12:25; 20:30-31; 1 Cor 3:12-15; Gal 5:22-23; 6:6-10; Col 3:1-17, 23-24; Titus 2:11-14

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Justification
opens the door
to many other
benefits from the
Lord...

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