

THE DEFENSE OF JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH ALONE

(Romans 3:27-31)

- I. THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD REVEALED: MAN'S SIN AND GOD'S CONDEMNATION (1:18-3:20)**
- II. THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD RECEIVED: HIS JUSTIFICATION TO ALL BELIEVERS (3:21-5:21)**

A. The EXPLANATION of JUSTIFICATION by Grace (3:21-26)

B. The DEFENSE of JUSTIFICATION by Grace through faith (3:27-31)

1. Justification that comes from God is on the basis of _____.
 - a. It _____ boasting. (v. 27a)

 - b. It is _____ from any _____ . (v. 27b)

2. Consequently, this means that the justification that comes from God is not based on the principle of _____, but rather on the principle of _____. (v. 28)

* Why must this be the case?

- 1) Because we are _____ to do anything in the _____ that would please God. (Gal. 5:16-17, John 15:5)

- 2) When justification is only through Christ alone, _____ rightfully receives all the glory.

3. God's plan of salvation is the same for Jews, Gentiles- _____ on the _____ . (v. 29)
4. Paul takes one of the most basic of Jewish beliefs, _____ and demonstrates that _____ God were _____ the God of the Gentiles also, they would be left with no God. (v. 30, cf. Deut. 6:4-5; Isa. 44:6)
5. Justification by faith alone does not _____ the purpose of the Law, it actually _____ it. (v. 31)
- a. The Law's _____ was to show us our total _____ to be justified by works.
- b. The glorious Gospel of grace is _____ to one nation.
- c. Just as Romans 3:9 states “_____ *Jews and Greeks that they are all under sin*” so the _____ is _____, that God's justification is available to “_____ *Jews and Greeks.*”

* How can you personally apply this truth in your own life?