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OUR REFORMATION AND ROOTS AND RELENTLESS RESOLVED

PART 3

HOW CAN A MAN BE RIGHT WITH GOD?

By Grace Alone Through Faith Alone

(Romans 3:21-31)

INTRODUCTION:

"So that in the ages to come He might show the surpassing riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast."

—Ephesians 2:7-9

THE LARGER CONTEXT: (ROMANS 1-11)

SECTION 1: ROMANS 1:18-3:20 - NO _____ !

"Therefore you are without excuse,... For there is no partiality with God."

—Romans 2:1, 11

SECTION 2: ROMANS 3:21-5:21 - NO _____ !

"Where then is boasting? It is excluded. ...For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from works of the Law."

—Romans 3:27, 28

SECTION 3: ROMANS 6:1-8:17 - NO _____ !

"There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."

—Romans 8:1

SECTION 4: ROMANS 8:18-39 - NO _____ !

"For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us."

—Romans 8:18

SECTION 5: ROMANS 9:1-11:36 - NO _____ !

"But it is not as though the word of God has failed..."

—Romans 9:6

THE IMMEDIATE CONTEXT: (ROMANS 3:21-5:21)

- In the first major section of Romans we are confronted with God's righteous _____ of sinners. In the second we are confronted with God's righteous _____ of sinners. In the first we see God's _____. In the second we see God's _____.

SECTION 2: JUSTIFICATION BY GRACE ALONE THROUGH FAITH ALONE:

1. It's _____ (3:21-31)
2. It's _____ (4:1-25)
3. It's _____ (5:1-21)

1A. THE _____ OF JUSTIFICATION:

- _____ AND HIS _____. (3:21-24a)

*"But now apart from the Law the righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, even the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ **for all those who believe**; for **there is no distinction**; for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, being justified as a gift by His grace..."*

—Romans 3:21-24a

"But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and seated us with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus..."

—Ephesians 2:4-6

2A. THE _____ OF JUSTIFICATION:

- _____ AND HIS _____. (3:24b-26a)

"...through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. This was to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed; for the demonstration, I say, of His righteousness at the present time, so that He would be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus."

—Romans 3:24b-26

3A. THE _____ OF JUSTIFICATION:

- _____ AND IT'S _____. (3:27-31)

*"Where then is boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? Of works? No, but by a law of faith. For we maintain that **a man is justified by faith apart from works of the Law**. Or is God the God of Jews only? Is He not the God of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also, since indeed God who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith is one."*

—Romans 3:27-30

CONCLUSION: