The Book of Romans How to be Right with God

Romans 3:21-26

Romans 1-11

The 5 cycles of Paul's persuasive argument concerning justification.

- Each "cycle" consists of....
- A clear presentation of the topic...
- Followed by a section of hypophora...Paul posing and answering potential questions about that topic.

Cycle 1: Romans 1:18-3:20

The Universal Need of Justification!

- Presented, 1:18-2:29
 - \checkmark For the "heathen," 1:18-32.
 - \checkmark For the "moralist," 2:1-16
 - \checkmark For the Jew, 2:17-29
 - Hypophora: Paul poses and answers potential questions, 3:1-20.

Cycle 2: Romans 3:21-4:25

The Only Means of Justification: FAITH!

- Presented, 3:21 -- 26.
- Hypophora: Paul poses and answers potential questions, 3:27 -- 4:25.

ROMANS 3:21-26...!

One of

the most important paragraphs in the whole Bible!!!

ROMANS 3:21-26...!

"The chief point, and the very central place of the Epistle, and of the whole Bible." Martin Luther

ROMANS 3:21-26...! "The remainder of the section develops one major element of this extraordinarily dense passage: faith as the only basis for justification." **Douglas Moo**

The Need of Justification!

- "No Distinction," 22
- "All have sinned," 23
- "(All) fall short of the glory of God," 23.

The Contrast: "But now," 21

The Testimony of Justification:

The Righteousness of God!

- Witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, 21.
- Displayed in the death of Christ, 25.
- Demonstrated at the present time, 26!

✓ That He might be just!

 And the Justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus!

The Provision of Justification!

- "Apart from Law," 21
- "As a gift," 24
- "By His grace," 24.
- "Through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus," 24.
- "Through the propitiation in His blood," 25

The Benefits of Justification!

- Declared righteous!!!
- Redemption, 24
- Propitiation, 25.
- Forgiveness!

The Reception of Justification! By FAITH!!!

- Faith in Jesus Christ, 22
- Believe, 22.
- Through faith, 25.
- Faith in Jesus, 26
- Faith, 27
- Faith, 28
- Faith (2 times), 30 Faith, 31

Justification by faith in Jesus Christ apart from any kind of works is absolutely and conclusively demanded by Romans 3:21-26!!!



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