

The Book of Romans

How to be Right with God

(Romans 7:7-12)

Romans 1-11, Theme: Justification!

Five Cycles:

- 1: The Universal Need of Justification, 1:18-3:20
- 2: The Only Means of Justification: Faith! 3:21-4:25
3. Benefits of Justification, 5:1-7:25
4. More Benefits of Justification, especially
“security!”, 8:1-39
5. Application to Israel of these Benefits, 9:1-11:36.

Each “CYCLE” has 2 parts...

1. Presentation of the topic
2. Hypophora: Posing and answering potential questions regarding the topic.

Romans 1-11, Theme: Justification!

Cycle 1:

The Universal Need of Justification, 1:18-3:20

- Presented, 1:18-2:29
- Hypophora, 3:1-20.

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Cycle 2:

The Only Means of Justification: FAITH, 3:21-4:25

- Presented, 3:21-26.
- Hypophora, 3:27-4:25.

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Cycle 3: Benefits of our Justification, 5:1-7:25

- Presented, 5:1-21
- Hypophora, 6:1-7:25!

Benefits of our Justification, Presented, 5:1-21

1. Peace with God, 5:1.
2. Access into our Standing of Grace, 5:2a
3. Confident hope, 5:2b-5.
4. Peace Treaty of God, 5:6-11.
5. Freedom from Adamic guilt, 5:12-21.

Cycle 3: Benefits of our Justification, 5:1-7:25

- Hypophora, 6:1-7:25...4 Questions!
 1. 6:1, “Shall we sin so that grace may increase?” **“May it never be!”**
 2. 6:15, “Shall we sin because we are not under Law?” **“May it never be!”**
 3. 7:7, “Is the Law sin?” **“May it never be!”**
 4. 7:13, “Did that which is good become a cause of death for me?” **“May it never be!”**

Why shouldn't we continue in Sin, 6:1-14

Because of what happened at Salvation!

1. We died to The Sin, 6:2.
2. We were baptized into Christ Jesus, 6:3
3. We have been raised to walk in newness of life, 6:4.
4. Our "old man" was crucified with Him, 6:6.
5. We were JUSTIFIED from sin!, 6:7.

How to live the Christian Life (Romans 6)

- KNOW the truth, 3, 6, 9.
- BELIEVE the truth, 8
- “CONSIDER it to be true for you,” 11
- DO NOT LET THE SIN REIGN, 12.
- DO NOT PRESENT YOUR MEMBERS TO SIN, 13
- PRESENT YOURSELF TO GOD!, 13
- PRESENT YOUR MEMBERS TO GOD, 13

Should we sin because we are
not under Law?, 6:15-7:6

May it never be!

- The Analogy of Slavery, 6:15-23.
- The Analogy of Marriage, 7:1-6.

Then is the Law sin???, 7:7-12

May it never be!

- The Law Reveals The Sin, 7:7

Important “Definitions”

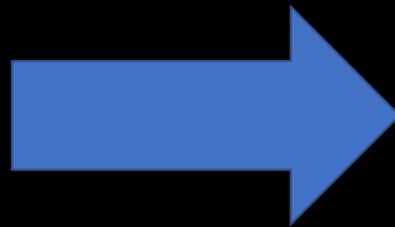
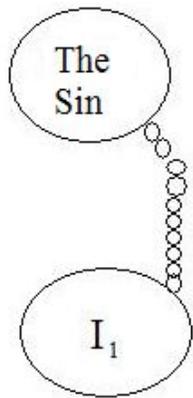
“The Sin”...(Sin): That evil force that lives in these mortal bodies with us, since the Fall, that tempts us to commit acts of sin. It is one of the enemies of the believer.

Also known as “The Flesh”

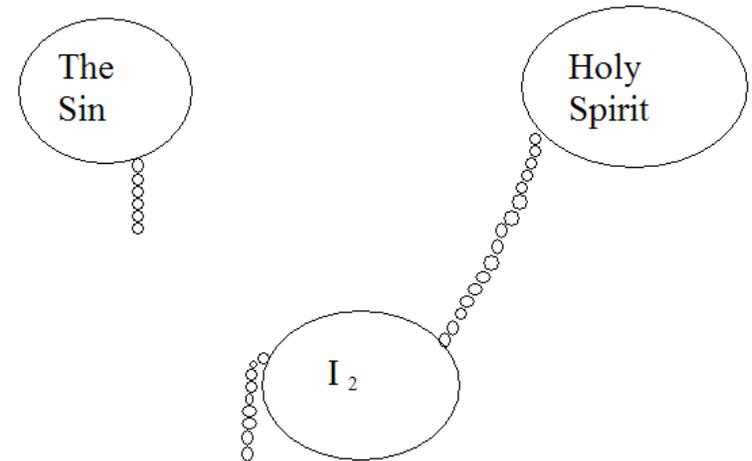
The unbeliever is a slave to The Sin

“A Biblical View of Salvation”

Unbeliever



Believer



Romans 6:17-18; 20-22.

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THE 2 TABLETS OF THE LAW...

1. No other gods but God.
2. No graven images or idols.
3. No taking God's Name in vain.
4. Remember the Sabbath
5. Honor your father and mother
6. Do not murder
7. Do not commit adultery.
8. Do not steal.
9. No false witness against your neighbor.
10. Do not covet.

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What was the rich young ruler's problem? What was he "lacking."

He was guilty of the same sin as Paul...

COVETING!!!!

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- The Sin uses The Law to produce “death,”
7:10-11.

Recall 7:5!

Romans 7:5

The Unbeliever
“In The Flesh”

This is Paul’s theological
explanation in 7:5.

THE LAW

This is Paul’s
personal
experience in
7:7-11

Sinful passions
Aroused!

Bear Fruit For Death

What is the “death” Paul refers to?

Hendrickson says, “There was a time when I felt secure, under no conviction of sin. At that time the full implication of the law had not yet registered in my consciousness, had not yet become an unbearable burden upon my heart. I thought that morally and spiritually I was doing quite well.

But when the commandment came, that is, when it was brought home to me what the law really demanded (nothing less than that which is summarized in Mar 12:29-31), I realized what a great sinner I was. It was then that I died; that is, that was the end of me as a self-satisfied, self-secure person.

Harry Ironside says,: “In other words it is as though he said, “I was blissfully unconscious of my true moral condition before God as a sinner until the force of the commandment forbidding covetousness came home to me. I had not realized that evil desire was in itself sinful, providing the desire was not carried out. But the law made this manifest. I struggled to keep down all unlawful desire; but sin-an evil principle within-was too strong for repression. It circumvented me, deceived me, and so by violation of the commandment brought me consciously under sentence of death.” This is exactly what the law was intended to do, as he shows in the epistle to the Galatians as well as here

“So then, the Law is holy,
and the commandment is holy
and righteous and good.”

Romans 7:12

“The Sin” used the Law,
which is holy and righteous and good,
to produce “death” in Saul of Tarsus!!

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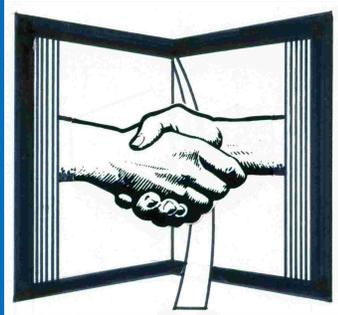
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But it can never produce righteousness!!

Unsaved Saul of Tarsus
could never achieve righteousness
by means of the Law!!

AND NEITHER COULD YOU!!!

**“For by grace you have been saved,
through faith...!”**



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