

Session 3/Romans 3

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Chapter Recap: After defending the wrath of God toward Jews, Paul gives his closing argument for the guilt of all mankind. He then turns to the good news of justification by faith alone apart from works of the Law.

Romans 3 has 3 sections:

#1 Answering _____ against God's _____ (3:1-8)

Summary of vv.1-8:

If God doesn't hate & judge all sin, even that of the Jews, He doesn't love _____. If He doesn't love _____, there's no _____.

#2 The Guilt of All Mankind (3:9-20)

Paul's Closing Argument:

- Summary of _____ (vv.10-12)
- Summary of _____ (vv.13-18)
- Summary of _____ (vv. 19-20)

#3 Justification by Faith Alone (3:21-31)

Rev. J.C. McKnight: “these are the eleven most important verses in the Bible”

Martin Luther: this passage is “the main point and very central place of the Epistle and of the whole Bible.”

Justification is where the believing sinner is _____ of all his sins, even future sins, and _____ righteous by God.

8 essential truths re: Justification

1. It happens apart from Law _____ (v.21)
2. It is not a new _____ in the New Testament (v.21)
3. It comes thru _____ alone in _____ alone (v.22)
4. It is promised to all who _____ (vv.22-23)
5. It is a _____ gift of God the Father (thru out, esp. vv.29-30).
6. It required the _____ of Christ (vv.24-26)
7. It eliminates all grounds for _____ (vv.27-28)
8. It establishes the _____ as a moral guide for us (v.31)