

Justification Found Through The Gospel, Not The Law of Moses – 3:21-8:39

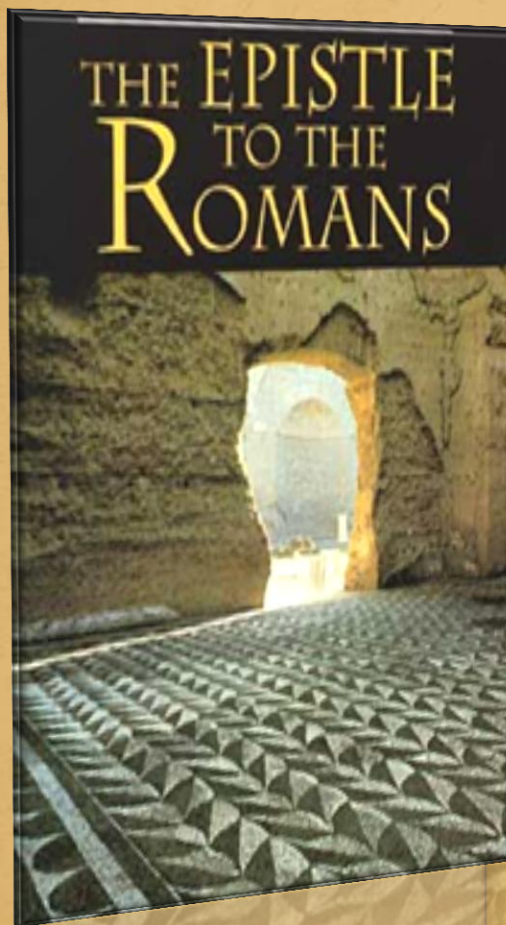
ROMANS

Romans 6:1-23

Lesson 6

The Righteousness of God –
Demands Separation From Sin

The Gospel – God's Power To Save Man



- ✦ **The Gospel of Christ is the ONLY hope for sinful man** – (1:16,17; 3:21-23)
- ✦ **The sinful condition of the whole world and its need for salvation** – (1:18-3:20)
- ✦ **Men are justified by pardon, (grace), not merit, (works)** – (3:21 - 4:25)
- ✦ **The benefits of justification based on Christ's death – Death through Adam, life Through Christ** -(5:1-25)
- ✦ **Paul provides four reasons why we should not continue in sin** – (6:1-23)

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Paul answers an erroneous inference that his readers may have - (6:1; 5:20,21)

Romans 5:20-21 (NKJV)

²⁰ Moreover the law entered that the offense might abound. But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more,
²¹ so that as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Romans 6:1-2 (NKJV)

¹ What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound? ² Certainly not! How shall we who died to sin live any longer in it?

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Shall We Continue In Sin?

No! We Died To Sin! (2-8)

- ✦ **As many as were baptized into Christ were baptized into His death – (3; Gal. 3:26,27)**
- ✦ **Buried with Him through baptism into death – (4; Col. 2:11-13)**
- ✦ **Being raised – we should walk in newness of life – (5; 12:1,2; 2 Cor. 5:17)**
- ✦ **United (planted) with Him in death & and raised – (5)**
- ✦ **Crucified with Christ – body of sin done away with – No longer slaves to sin – will live with Christ – (6-8; Col. 3:1-3)**



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Shall We Continue In Sin?

**No! We Are Alive To
God! - (11-14)**

- ✦ **We Should Not LET Sin Reign In Us - (12; 8:12-13)**
- ✦ **Our Bodies Should Be Used As Instruments Of Righteousness - (13; 1Co 6:19-20)**
- ✦ **God's Grace Frees Us From Sin's Dominion - (14; Ro 8:1-2)**



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Shall We Continue In Sin?

No! We Are To Be Slaves Of Righteousness! (15-19)

- ✦ **We (by choice) serve one of two masters – Sin or obedience -** (15-16; Josh. 24:15; John 8:34; Mat. 6:24)
- ✦ **Were slaves of sin – but delivered when “obeyed from the heart . . .” -** (17-18; Acts 2:38; 22:16; Col. 3:11-13)
- ✦ **We are to present our bodies as slaves of righteousness unto holiness -** (19; 12:1-3; 1 Pet. 1:14-16)



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Shall We Continue In Sin?

No! The Wages Of Sin Is Death! (23)

**Romans 6:23
(NKJV)**

23 For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- ✦ **While slaves to sin – they were without righteousness – (20; Eph. 2:11-14)**
- ✦ **Their shame reflects a change of mind toward sin – which fruit was death - (21; 2 Cor. 7:11; Isa. 59:1,2; Rev 21:8)**
- ✦ **Having been set free from sin, becoming slaves of God, having fruit to holiness – the end – everlasting life - (22)**
- ✦ **The final contrast – (23)**

God's Means of Making Men Righteous Is Not By The Law – But Through The Gospel

Romans 1:16,17

¹⁶For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

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