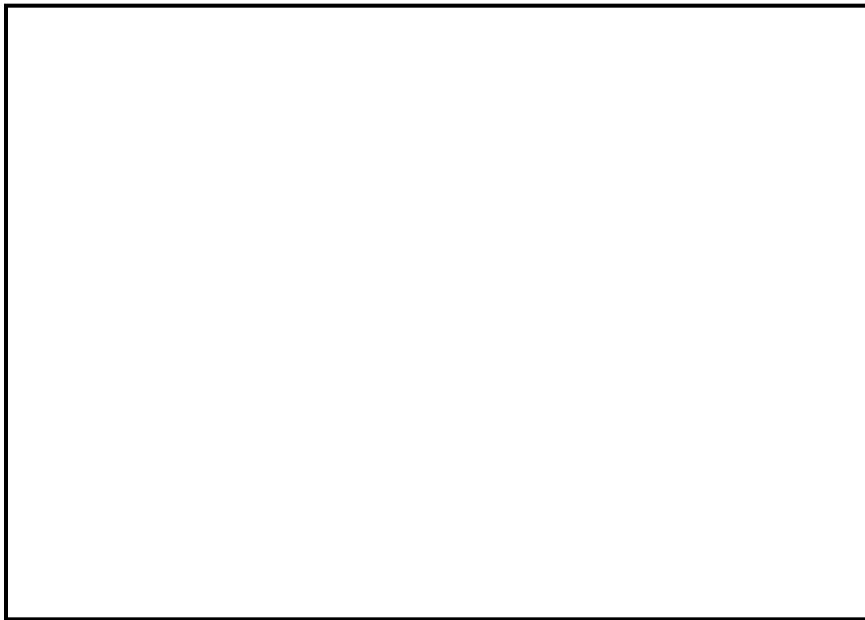




THE BIBLE WAY TO HEAVEN

Realize That God Loves You.

“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in him should not perish, but have everlasting life.”
(John 3:16).

The Bible Says That All Men Are Sinners.

“For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God.”
(Romans 3:23).

God’s Word Also Says That Sin Must Be Paid For.

“For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord” (Romans 6:23).

The Good News Is That Jesus Christ Paid for Your Sins.

“But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.” (Romans 5:8).

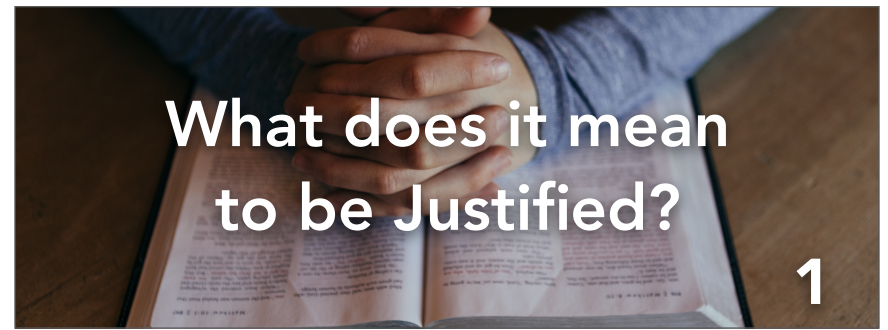
You Must Personally Call on Jesus Christ to Save You.

The Bible Says, *“For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.”* (Romans 10:13).

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What does it mean to be Justified?

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Memory Verse - 2 Corinthians 5:21

“For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.”

Study Aim

- To learn what the Bible doctrine of justification means and how it applies to our lives today.
- To understand the difference in being justified by faith and trying to be justified by works.
- Read Romans 3:20-26

Set the Stage

- We must understand two important distinctions in the Christian life:
 1. Our Standing - Complete in Jesus Christ - Final - Perfect
 2. Our State - Growing in Jesus Christ - Fluid - Progressive
- Justification is a judicial term meaning to declare a person innocent of whatever charges were brought against him. It means at its core “to declare righteous.”
- Justification is God’s instantaneous legal act in which He forgives all our sin and gives us Jesus’ righteousness which allows us to be declared righteous in God’s sight.

Take it to the Next Level

1. We need to be Justified.

- We are all guilty.
- We all need to be forgiven.

2. We are Justified by Faith not by Works

- We are not justified by doing works.
- We are justified only by faith.

3. We are Just in God's Sight

- There are two two parts to justification.
 1. Forgiveness of sins.
 - We have no penalty to pay for sin both past, present, or future. We are released from the liability of our sin.
 2. The imputing of Jesus righteousness to us.
 - We are restored into a position of favor and acceptance with God.

Take Your Next Step

- **Have you seen justified?**
 - You can call on Jesus to Christ to save you.
- **Stop living a defeated life.**
 - Live like the person God sees you as. Live your life in victory over sin.
- **You cannot lose your salvation. It is 100% secure.**
 - God has already forgiven all of your sins both past, present, and future. Therefore, there is nothing that you can do today or tomorrow to lose your salvation.

Taking it Further

- Read Romans 6:1-2. Why can knowing all our sins are forgiven be used as a reason to live how ever we want to? What should be our response to God's grace? How can we make sure we are responding to God's free gift of forgiveness correctly?
- Read Romans chapter 5 for next week. List what scripture tells us in this chapter that we receive as a result of being justified.