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**The Righteousness of God
proven through Messiah,
King Jesus**

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How is God to be considered faithful when:

- *The world is still an absolute train wreck*
 - *God doesn't appear to have made good on His promises to Israel*
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Romans 1:1-4 Paul, a bond-servant of Messiah Jesus, called as an apostle, set apart for the gospel of God, which He promised beforehand (i.e. He boxed Himself in by having it written down) through His prophets in the holy Scriptures, concerning His Son, who was born of a descendant of David according to the flesh, who was declared the Son of God with power by the resurrection from the dead, according to the Spirit of holiness, Jesus Christ our Lord,

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➤ *Romans 1:16-17*

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Paul is compelled because:

- *The Gospel (the Story of God culminating in Jesus) literally has the power to save*
 - *The Gospel REVEALS the righteousness of God – from faith to faith*
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The Gospel culminating in Jesus' death & resurrection shows us what God has been up to ALL ALONG

- *“God's righteousness”*
 - *“From faith to faith”*
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The Gospel (the Story of God culminating in Jesus) reveals God's righteousness (His covenant faithfulness and His Justice)

➤ *"God's righteousness"*

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Romans 3:21-22 But now apart from the Law the righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, even the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Messiah for all those who believe; for there is no distinction;

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“From faith to faith”

➤ *Romans 1:17*

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Paul points to Jesus to prove God has stepped in to resolve life:

1. Jesus lives, dies & resurrects

2. Somehow this proves God lived up to what He promised of old (“righteousness of God”)

3. We then see the faith of Jesus (“from faith) thru all of this & that God has come thru on His promises & as a result WE HAVE FAITH (“to faith”) in God

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“For I am not ashamed of the gospel (story of God culminating in Jesus), for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek (literally has the power to save EVERYONE). For in it the righteousness of God is revealed (Gospel culminating in Jesus PROVES God is both faithful & just) from (Jesus’) faith to (our) faith; as it is written, “But the Righteous One shall live by faith.”

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Dan. 12:1-3 “Now at that time Michael, the great prince who stands guard over the sons of your people, will arise. And there will be a time of distress such as never occurred since there was a nation until that time; and at that time your people, everyone who is found written in the book, will be rescued. “Many of those who sleep in the dust of the ground will awake, these to everlasting life, but the others to disgrace and everlasting contempt.”

1. It was thought of as the great Cosmic/Eschatological reversal
 2. It is not for everyone
 3. It was thought of specifically as the restoration of Israel
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2. How does the resurrection of Jesus address this?

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In the Biblical Narrative, "Son of God" actually means 2 things so we must ascertain which one is being referred to when we read scripture

1. "Son of God" = In the Trinity He is the SON = who He is!
 2. "Son of God" = Role = King & Judge
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Psalm 2:6-12

“But as for Me, I have installed My King Upon Zion, My holy mountain.”

“I will surely tell of the decree of the LORD: He said to Me, ‘You are My Son, Today I have begotten You. ‘Ask of Me, and I will surely give the nations as Your inheritance, And the very ends of the earth as Your possession. ‘You shall break them with a rod of iron, You shall shatter them like earthenware.’” Now therefore, O kings, show discernment; Take warning, O judges of the earth. Worship the LORD with reverence And rejoice with trembling. Do homage to the Son, that He not become angry, and you perish in the way, For His wrath may soon be kindled. How blessed are all who take refuge in Him!

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Acts 10:42 “And He ordered us to preach to the people, and solemnly to testify that this is the One who has been appointed by God as Judge of the living and the dead.”

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I Cor. 15:20-28

But now Messiah has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who are asleep. For since by a man came death, by a Man also came the resurrection of the dead. For as in Adam all die, so also in Messiah all will be made alive. But each in his own order: Messiah the first fruits, after that those who are Messiah's at His coming, then comes the end, when He hands over the kingdom to the God and Father, when He has abolished all rule and all authority and power.

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For He must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet. The last enemy that will be abolished is death. For He has put all things in subjection under His feet. But when He says, "All things are put in subjection," it is evident that He is excepted who put all things in subjection to Him. When all things are subjected to Him, then the Son Himself also will be subjected to the One who subjected all things to Him, so that God may be all in all.

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Ez. 37:22a, 24-25 and I will make them one nation in the land, on the mountains of Israel; and One King will be King for all of them... “My servant David will be King over them, and they will all have One Shepherd; and they will walk in My ordinances and keep My statutes and observe them. “They will live on the land that I gave to Jacob My servant, in which your fathers lived; and they will live on it, they, and their sons and their sons’ sons, forever; and David My servant will be their Prince forever.”

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Paul is not ashamed of the Gospel Story of God culminating in Jesus because it is God's POWER to save...everyone...because faced with a world in ruins the Gospel REVEALS God to be righteous and thus trustworthy!

Because of this we are called to TRUST! God has, is, and yet will fulfill all that He has promised for humanity...and our crowned King will make it so!
