# The Righteousness of God proven through Messiah, King Jesus

#### Outline of Romans 5:1-8:30

Romans 1:18-3:20 = You have the wrong Person on trial

Romans 3:21-8:39 = God will put the world to rights thru Messiah (as promised!)

Romans 9-11 = God has been faithful to what He promised

Romans 12-16 = Now live in harmony & love as the true renewed humanity of God

- Paul has made it clear who the real guilty party is US!
- ➤ Despite that God is willing to be questioned about whether or not He has been righteous
  - Given the fact that is doesn't look like Israel has seen the promises fulfilled
  - The world I still a train wreck
- > So Paul sets out to exonerate God to prove He is faithful

## Does this by proving:

- ➤ The original contract with Abraham ALWAYS included Gentiles
- ➤ Membership in God's covenant family is not thru ethnicity or Torah but rather as a gift from God through faith
- The same gift that was extended to Abraham is being extended to anyone that receives the gift of Jesus' blood
- And that blood will acquit you! Render you innocent & righteous before God!

Therefore Jesus having been faithful where Israel never was as an Israelite has fulfilled all that His Father promised Abraham He would do

Theme: Those who God justifies (declares right)
God glorifies (inherit the Cosmos)

#### Outline:

5:1-11 (And not only this, but we also exult in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.)

5:12-21 (so that, as sin reigned in death, even so grace would reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.)

6:1-11 (Even so consider yourselves to be dead to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus.)

6:12-23 (For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.)

7:1-8:11 – The Law

8:1-30 – The Spirit of God & the Christian & Cosmic hope

8:31-39 - Paul then returns to the subject of 5:1-11

<u>Summary</u> = What God did decisively thru Messiah Jesus He will continue thru His Spirit

Jeremiah 23:5-8 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will raise up for David a Righteous Branch, and He shall reign as King and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land.

In His days Judah will be saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: <u>'The Lord is our</u> righteousness.'

"Therefore, behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when they shall no longer say, 'As the Lord lives who brought up the people of Israel out of the land of Egypt,'

but 'As the Lord lives who brought up and led the offspring of the house of Israel out of the north country and out of all the countries where he had driven them.' Then they shall dwell in their own land."

The New Exodus...but this time it will be for the entire Cosmos!

Chapter 6 – Baptism as symbolic of the Red Sea

Chapter 7 – Mt. Sinai & the Giving of Torah

Chapter 8 – Journey to the Promised Land

When you leave Egypt on the way to your eternal inheritance...you will go thru Canaan...

But don't worry...those that God justifies (declares innocent, righteous before Him)...He WILL GLORIFY!

#### Romans 5:1-2

- > Past Event = Justified by faith
- Present Result = Peace with God
- Future Promise = to the hope of glory (i.e. it will all end well)

#### Romans 5:3-5 - Context of the Exodus:

- > Israel was completely enslaved...dead as it were
- ➤ And God delivered them and brought them to the promised Land
- ➤ But before they enjoyed the total fruits of that Land, they were presented with the Canaanites

#### Romans 5:3-5 - Context of the Exodus:

And now...

- > We too, dead in our sin and decay & death, are freed by Jesus' blood
- Justified as righteous before God thru a total gift when we exercise faith
- ➤ And before we enter into the final Hope of His Glory we will enter Canaan

### (Romans 5:3-5)

"tribulation" = a pressing anguish or affliction

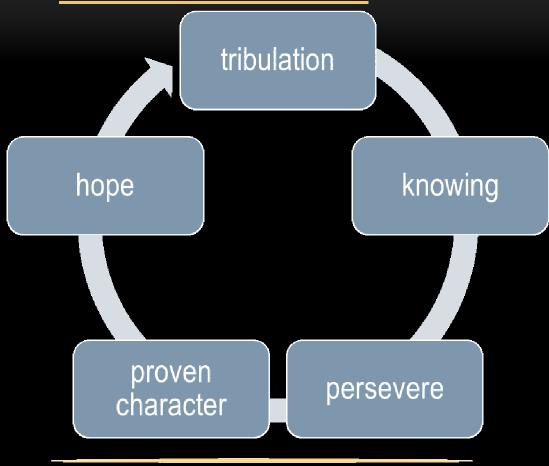
"knowing" = implies that we have seen it & therefore know experientially (the Story of God is repeating itself)

"persevere" = "hupomone" = hopefully bear up under (pack mule)

"proven character" = dokime = proof or experience as we watch God display Himself

"hope" = elpis = to anticipate, usually with pleasure, expectation or confidence

Romans 5:3-5 - Context of the Exodus:



## Do you see the image? (Romans 5:3-5)

- 1)This is why we "know" expectantly He will care for us in anguish (God "poured" Himself out to us by indwelling us personally with the Spirit of Jesus)
- 2) And this is how we can REFRAME our anguish...it is to be expected...fits the story
- 3) And He did it before we even loved Him

#### **Romans 5:6-8**

"helpless" = literally, figuratively, & morally w/out strength, weak, impotent, feeble, sick - idea of being completely helpless and completely ungodly

"right time" = not chronos, but kairos = strategic time, when it was essential - Gal. 4:4a "when the fullness of the time came, God sent forth His Son"

"demonstrates" = public demonstration, implies there are bystanders watching

Romans 5:9-10

Rom. 1:18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness

#### Romans 5:9-10

Finding oneself on the right side of God's verdict in the final day before our Originator:

- is not predicated on KEEPING THE LAW...we cannot do it AND it points at us & shows how sinful we really are
- > not predicated on being tied to Israel according to the flesh
- ➤ But rather on being washed by Jesus' blood, declared innocent, and now participating in the resurrection life of Jesus as those brought to life from the dead

#### Romans 5:11

- 1)God doesn't produce the suffering, it already exists...this place is extremely broken
- 2)The suffering is a sign of the New Exodus Canaanites are in the Land but God has PROVEN He will deliver the Cosmos like He did the Land of Israel
- 3)We are then to rejoice IN THE MIDST OF, but not IN suffering
- 4)God produces something amazing out of it for His children...Notice God doesn't promise to make sense out of it...but to produce EXPECTATION to convince us more and more He is trustworthy
- 5)He only asks 1 thing of us in return...hupomone