

Romans

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

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Paul sets out to defend God from 3:21 all the way to the end of chapter 11:

Laying out God's righteousness as seen in Messiah, to Israel and reaching thru to the Gentiles

1. That God is indeed fixing life thru the Crowned King Jesus one life at a time

2. And that God has indeed done everything He promised even when no one else would

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Romans 8:28 And we know that for those who love God all things work together for good, for those who are called according to his purpose.

- *Does not mean all things are good OR all things are from God*
- *It also does not say or mean all things work together for good FOR ME*
- *It means God will work thru these things to REDEEM, to make life out of death*

It means God is the God who resurrects dead things

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Romans 8:22-23

For we know that the whole creation has been groaning together in the pains of childbirth until now. And not only the creation, but we ourselves...groan inwardly as we wait eagerly for adoption as sons, the redemption of our bodies.

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Romans 16:25-27

1) “according to the revelation of the mystery that was kept secret for long ages”

➤ *Birtherd thru a Jewish woman to fulfill Israel's destiny when they wouldn't, thus fulfilling what God promised*

➤ *Resurrected after He was killed offering salvation to anyone that would simply place their faith in Him*

➤ *Takes the rejection of His own people AFTER His resurrection and uses it like Judo to save the Gentiles and more Jews*

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2) “Now to Him who is able to strengthen you”

Only God can truly strengthen

- *Only Jesus can lift us out of our guilt before God*
 - *Only Jesus can accomplish living perfectly on our behalf*
 - *Only Jesus can raise dead plans and give them life*
 - *Only Jesus can make sense out of suffering*
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Romans 16:3-5, 7, 11, 23

- *Prisca & Aquila*
 - *Andronicus and Junia*
 - *Narcissus*
 - *Erastus*
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Romans 16:25

- *Paul started out as a murderer of Christians until he had an encounter with Jesus*
 - *He lived thru Riots in Antioch*
 - *Dragged out and stoned to an inch of his life in Lystra where he simply with the help of his friends, gathers himself and goes right back in, not to mention multiple visits there later*
 - *Beatings, tied up, and jailed without trial in Philippi*
 - *Riots in Thessalonica*
 - *Run out of town in Berea*
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- *Court cases & anti-Jewish revolts in Corinth*
 - *25,000 pagans calling for his head in Ephesus*
 - *Rejected by people he studied with, grew up with, potentially family*
 - *And this doesn't even touch what happened just traveling*
 - *8000+ miles by foot*
 - *3000+ miles by sea*
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Paul is both convinced of the reality of Jesus and is sustained by the reality of Jesus

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Phil. 3:8

Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Messiah Jesus my Lord. For His sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Messiah!

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Our hope rests on the resurrection!

Our God is the God who raises dead things...

