Romans Study Outline

I. Introducing Justification by Faith Alone (1:1-17)
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   6. Love of God poured out into our hearts (5:5)
   7. Saved from God’s wrath (5:9)
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VIII. Justification by faith alone is credible (9-11)
   1. God has the right to save some and not others (9:19-21).
   2. In both condemnation and salvation God reveals His justice and His mercy (9:22-29).
   3. God continues to maintain a remnant who will believe. (10:9-17)
IX. Justification by faith alone produces holiness, love & humility (12-16)
   1. Individual
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   3. Social/Civil

Core Seminars—New Testament
Class 10: Romans: Kingdom Citizens
Justified by Faith Alone

Introduction

- The message of Romans: For in the Gospel the righteousness from God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, ‘The righteous shall live by faith.’ 1:17

- Background

- Justification = ‘declared righteous’

1:1-3:20 Justification by Faith Alone is Necessary
But because of your hard and impenitent heart you are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath when God’s righteous judgment will be revealed.2:5

- God’s wrath is our biggest problem

- No one can be justified by their works

3:21-28 Justification by Faith Alone is Sufficient
The righteousness of God comes through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. 3:22

- A sacrifice of atonement, a propitiation

- Two places where God’s wrath can be satisfied
Ch. 4 Justification by faith alone did not begin in the New Testament
What does the Scripture say? ‘Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness.’ 4:3

- Is justification by faith really biblical?

- Imputation

Ch. 5 The benefits of justification by faith alone in Christ
Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. 5:1

- Have you spent time praising Him for the many benefits which have accrued to you as a result of His work on your behalf?

- Second Adam- how gracious is God that many sins are covered by one man, Jesus Christ!

Ch. 6-8 Justification by faith alone but justifying faith is never alone

- Ch. 6 Justification by faith leads to a more righteous life

How can we who died to sin still live in it? Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into his death? We were buried therefore with him by baptism into death, in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life. 6:2-4

- Chapter 7 & 8: the reality of ongoing sin, but also the certain hope of final victory for all who believe.

For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the firstborn among many brothers. And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified. 8:29-30

Ch. 9-11 Justification of God to man
It is not as though God's word had failed. For not all who are descended from Israel are Israel. Nor because they are his descendants are they all Abraham’s children. 9:6-7

- Salvation isn’t a birthright, but something that God works as he chooses for His Name’s Sake!

1. God has the right to save some, and not save others (9:19-21).

2. God’s reveals His justice and mercy in the condemnation and salvation of sinners (9:22-24).

3. God has not changed his way of dealing with people- all must confess and believe (10:9-10,13).

Ch. 12-16 Justification by faith alone produces renewed lives and relationships
Love does no harm to its neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law. 13:10

- Individually

- Civically

- Corporately within the church