

JUSTIFICATION OUTLINE

The term justification is a legal term used in the courts of law. It is the defense of a condemned person and is the means by which he is set free. Justification is not synonymous with salvation but provides the reason for salvation.

Isa 53:11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

1. BY HIS GRACE

Rom 3:24 Being justified freely **by his grace** through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

Eph 2:8, 9 **For by grace are ye saved through faith;** and that **not of yourselves: it is the gift of God:** Not of works, lest any man should boast.

Titus 3:7 That being justified **by his grace**, we should be made **HEIRS** according to the hope of eternal life.

2. BY FAITH

Rom 5:1 Therefore being **justified by faith**, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

Gal 3:24 Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be **justified by faith.**

Rom 4:5 But to him that worketh not, but believeth on him that **justifieth the ungodly, his faith** is counted for righteousness.

Gal 2:16 Knowing that a man is not **justified** by the works of the law, but by the **faith** of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be **justified by the faith of Christ**, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.

3. BY CHRIST

Act 13:39 And by him **all that believe are justified from all things**, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

Rom 8:30 Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, **them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.**

Gal 2:17 But if, while we seek to be **justified by Christ**, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid.

4. BY HIS RIGHTEOUSNESS

Rom 3:26 To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that **HE** might be just, and the **justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.**

5. BY HIS RESURRECTION

Rom 4:25 Who was delivered for our offences, and was **raised again for our justification.**

6. BY THE SPIRIT and BY JESUS' NAME

1 Cor 6:11 And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are **justified in the name** of the Lord Jesus, and **by the Spirit of our God.**

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8. BY HIS BLOOD

Rom 5:9 Much more then, being now **justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.**

9. BY THE JUSTIFICATION OF LIFE

Rom 5:18 Therefore as by the offence of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness of one the free gift came upon **all men unto justification of life.**

10. Justification BY WORKS

James 2:24, 25 Ye see then how that by works a man is **justified**, and not by faith only. Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot **justified by works**, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way?

Above, there are nine means or ways by which God justifies believers His eyes in the N.T. and one way to be justified before men. When a believer is justified by faith, he has peace, and does not have the sword of Damocles hanging over him. He does not have to walk a tightrope the rest of his life wondering whether he will end up in hell or be excluded from the kingdom. It is the **UNGODLY** and **SINNERS** that are justified. And that truth does not minister sin and unholiness; it promotes it in those, who are really saved. And their faith is counted for righteousness **NOT THEIR WORKS**. A believer is justified before God from **ALL** things. Such a free gift of **justification of LIFE** has been provided and available to and for **ALL** men. God is the justifier of believers and believers are not the self justifiers. The believer can expect to be predestinated to glorification as a result of that justification and predestinated to the kingdom as a predestinated **HEIR**. Of course, there is a **PRACTICAL** sanctification and justification that a believer exercises in his daily life. That practical justification and sanctification is found in James and demonstrates to God, one's brethren, and to unbelievers that one really possesses a living faith, rather than a dead faith. See our complete Article on Justification BY WORKS. -- By Herb Evan