

“Justification by Faith”

Romans 3:21-31

I. HISTORY: "has been manifested" (vv.21-26)

A. Described: "being witnessed" (vv.21-23)

1. Evidence: "righteousness...manifested" (v.21)
2. Method: "righteousness...through faith" (v.22)
3. Need: "all have sinned and fall short" (v.23)

B. Displayed: "God displayed publicly" (vv.24-26)

1. Redemption: "being justified as a gift" (v.24)
2. Propitiation: "propitiation...through faith" (v.25a)
3. Forbearance: "passed over the sins" (vv.25b-26)

II. HARMONY: "justified by faith" (vv.27-31)

A. Concession: "boasting...is excluded" (vv.27-28)

1. Received: "excluded...by a law of faith" (v.27)
2. Redeemed: "justified...apart from works" (v.28)

B. Consistency: "God...is one" (vv.29-30)

1. God of All: "the God of Jews...Gentiles" (v.29)
2. God to All: "God who will justify...is one" (v.30)

C. Confirmation: "we establish the Law" (v.31)