

The Righteousness of the Law Romans Chapter 5 – part 2

Theme Verses

[Rom 2:26] Therefore if the uncircumcision keep *the righteousness of the law*, shall not his uncircumcision be counted for circumcision?

[Rom 8:3-4] For what the law could not do, in that it was weak through the flesh, God sending His Own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh, and for sin, condemned sin in the flesh: 4 That *the righteousness of the law* might be fulfilled in us, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.

Outline of Chapter 5, part 2

A. Vs 15 - 19, the offense verses obedience

1. vs 15, There is a difference between the offense and the free gift
 - a. The offense of one man abounded to all men bringing them death
 - b. The grace of God and the gift by grace has also abounded to all
2. vs 16, There is a difference between the one that sinned and the gift
 - a. The judgment came due to one offense resulting in condemnation
 - b. The free gift came even though there were many offenses resulting in justification
 - c. The offenses of all of man were laid on the Lord, Who bare them away, (see Isaiah 53:6).
3. vs 17, The reign of death verses the reign of life
 - a. Death reigned due to the one offense of Adam
 - b. They shall reign who receive abundance of grace and the gift of life
 - c. They shall reign in life by Jesus Christ
4. vs 18, The offense of one verses the righteousness of one
 - a. By the offense of Adam, judgment came upon all men
 - b. By the righteousness of Jesus Christ, the free gift came to all men
 - c. The judgment brought condemnation to all
 - d. The free gift brought justification of life UNTO all
5. vs 19, Disobedience of Adam verses Obedience of Jesus Christ
 - a. The disobedience of Adam made many men sinners
 - b. The obedience of Jesus Christ made many men righteous

B. Vs 20 – 21, Sin Abounding verses Grace Abounding

1. vs 20, The law was added so that the offense would abound.
 - a. Where sin abounded, grace much more abounded
 - b. Sin entered the world when Adam disobeyed God
 - c. Grace was already abounding when sin arrived

C. What allowed grace to abound when sin arrived?

1. Christ was ordained to the office of sacrificial lamb before the foundation of the world.
 - [1Pe 1:19-20] But with the precious blood of Christ, as of a lamb without blemish and without spot: 20 Who verily was foreordained before the foundation of the world, but was manifest in these last times for you,
 - [Rev 5:6-7] And I beheld, and, lo, in the midst of the throne and of the four beasts, and in the midst of the elders, stood a Lamb as It had been slain, having seven horns and seven eyes, which are the seven Spirits of God sent forth into all the earth. 7 And He came and took the book out of the right hand of Him that sat upon the throne.
 - [Eph 1:3-5] Blessed [be] the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who hath blessed us with all spiritual blessings in heavenly [places] in Christ: 4 According as He hath chosen us in Him before the foundation of the world, that we should be holy and without blame before Him in love: 5 Having predestinated us unto the adoption of children by Jesus Christ to Himself, according to the good pleasure of His will,