

Bible Class Notes - Lesson 182 God's Purpose

God's Justification to Meet His Holy Law

This week we remind ourselves of God's Kindness in Justifying His People.

The Lord Jesus Christ: Who His own self bare our sins in His own body on the tree that we, being dead to sins, should live unto righteousness: by Whose stripes ye were healed. 1 Peter 2v24

Bible Readings for this week:

(Choose

a regular time each day to read the bible and pray whether it be when you first wake up or just before you go to sleep)

Day	Bible Reading	Tick When Read
Sunday	John 19v1-15 (The people shouted, 'Crucify Him')	
Monday	John 19v16-30 (Christ said, 'It is finished')	
Tuesday	John 19v31-42 (Christ gave up His life)	
Wednesday	Isaiah 53 (Christ's offering for sin foretold)	
Thursday	Romans 3v10-31 (Justified freely by His grace)	
Friday	Romans 4v1-3,16-25 (Saved by grace, through faith)	
Saturday	Romans 5 (Grace reigns through righteousness)	

Important Lesson for us today: *An easy definition to remember for justification is 'Just as if we had never sinned'. The gracious call of God shows us clearly that we "have sinned and come short of the Glory of God" (Romans 3v23), yet this conviction is not enough on its' own to make us right with God. God cannot simply just let us off sin. Our sin must be punished. This is why the Lord Jesus Christ, God the Son, took on human flesh to satisfy God's holy law and suffer the punishment of sin in order to justify (declare righteous) all who would believe on Him. What amazing grace, and mercy - He, the Just and sinless One, died on the cross of Calvary, for us the unjust and sinful ones.*

Hymn 264 – Only the Saviour, Jesus Christ, was good enough to pay the price of our sin.

1. There is a green hill far away,
Outside a city wall,
Where our dear Lord was crucified,
Who died to save us all.
2. We may not know, we cannot tell
What pains He had to bear,
But we believe it was for us
He hung and suffered there.
3. He died that we might be forgiven,
He died to make us good,
That we might go at last to Heaven,
Saved by His precious blood.
4. There was no other good enough
To pay the price of sin;
He only could unlock the gate
Of Heaven, and let us in.

EDT Bible/College Class Take Home Sheet.

This sheet is given to remind you of the lesson and to encourage you to read your Bible.

How God Fits Us For Heaven – He Justifies Us

God's Wonderful and Gracious Plan to Make Us Holy

- **By Nature, We are Not Worried that We are Fallen.**
 - Atheist or Careless people say, 'There is **No** God, Heaven or Hell'.
 - Self-Righteous people say, 'I am not a sinner', 'I am good enough'.
 - Optimistic, Superficial people say, 'Everyone will go to Heaven'.
- **We Need to Hear God's Call - (Last weeks' lesson).**
 - To convict us of our sin; to acknowledge we deserve God's punishment.
 - Yet this conviction alone is not enough to make us right with God.
- **God is Holy – He Has a Very High View of His Holy Law.**
 - **He is Just** - God cannot allow any sin into His Perfect Heaven.
 - **He Loves Righteousness** – God cannot ignore or overlook sin.
 - **He is Truth** – God's Word must stand. He keeps all His Promises.
- **God's Solution to the Problem of Our Sin – Justification.**
 - We need to be **Justified** (declared clean of the guilt of sin), but we cannot do it ourselves. It is **all** God's doing. **Not** by our work or effort.
 - **God's Gift** is His Son. The Lord Jesus Christ came to be our Saviour.
 - As Perfect God **and** Perfect Man, He took upon Himself the full punishment and guilt of our sin, giving us His Righteousness.
 - God, by His Grace, gives us the **Gift of Faith** so we can believe in the Lord Jesus as our Saviour, and repent. See **Ephesians 2vs4-9**.
 - **Only** our personal **Faith** in The Saviours' death can **Justify** us.
 - Once **Justified** we are clean of the guilt of all our sin.
Then, and only then, can we enter Heaven, and enjoy God for Eternity.
- **Is Everyone Forgiven and Justified?**
 - **No**, only those who **Repent** and **Believe** that The Lord Jesus Christ died, taking their punishment on the Cross of Calvary, are **Justified**.
 - **Justification** is **only** by Faith Alone, In Christ Alone. It is God's Gift.
 - Anyone who seeks to please God in their own way **will not** be Justified, and **will not** enter Heaven.

God graciously calls us to repent and trust in His Son for forgiveness of all our sin. The Apostle Paul wrote, "Therefore, being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ: By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God."
Romans 5v1-2