

RIGHTEOUSNESS REVEALED IN THE GOSPEL

ROMANS 1:16-17

What is faith? What does faith do? Faith is what receives the righteousness of Christ so as to take it as my own. It is the empty hand reaching out and taking that gift. It is receiving the one thing that is vital to live before a holy God.

-Jerry Bridges

I. Righteousness Revealed

II. Righteousness by Faith

III. The Righteous Shall Live by Faith

Into the Bible:

1. A perfect God is righteous in his judgment of us. (Psalm 9:8, 58:11, (6:13, II Timothy 4:8). Why should all mankind then fear his judgment? (Romans 10:1-3, Isaiah 64:6)

2. Psalm 103:8-10 indicates that God does not judge us as we deserve. How can he fail to do that and maintain a standard of justice which is righteous? (II Corinthians 5:21, Isaiah 53:4-6)

Application:

3. What does it mean to say that in Christ, mercy and justice meet at the cross? How does this change our view of God's judgment?

(Romans 8:1-4)

For Families:

4. Talk with your children about God's justice and his mercy.