

# CROSSROADS BIBLE CHURCH

## GROWTH GROUP CURRICULUM

Oct 29, 2023

The Book of Romans - Week 5

Romans 3:21-31

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### Quick Review

1. Was there anything from this past Sunday's message that challenged or confused you?
2. Can you think of one thing from Sunday's sermon that you are likely to remember two weeks from now?

### My Story

1. Think back what was the worst trouble you ever got in growing up?
  - a. What did justice look like in that situation?

### Digging Deeper

1. Look again at verses 21-24. What can we learn from these 4 verses about what this righteousness from God" is?
2. Consider verses .22-25. What can we learn from these 4 verses about how this "righteousness rom God" is received (and by whom)?

### **Digging Deeper (cont.)**

2. Look again at verses 22-25 What can we learn from these 4 verses about how this "righteousness from God" is received (and by whom)?
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3. vv.25 Look at two or three translations for the word Paul uses to describe Jesus' sacrifice in v.25a. Now look up the word "propitiation" in a dictionary. What does this word tell us about what Jesus death did for us?
  - a. Does this word depict God as a "blood-thirsty" God without any love?
  
4. How can Jesus' "atoning sacrifice" make God both "just" AND "the one who justifies" those who believe?
  
5. Paul says the gospel excludes boasting (v.27). How does it do that? How has it excluded boasting in you?

#### **TAKING IT HOME: Pray**

Father, I vacillate between thinking I am righteous on my own and seeing many of the ways I fail to follow you. Help me to live in light of your Gospel. Help me to be humbled by your mercy and lifted up by your love. Lord grant me the ability to live a transformed life in light of what Jesus did for me. - Amen