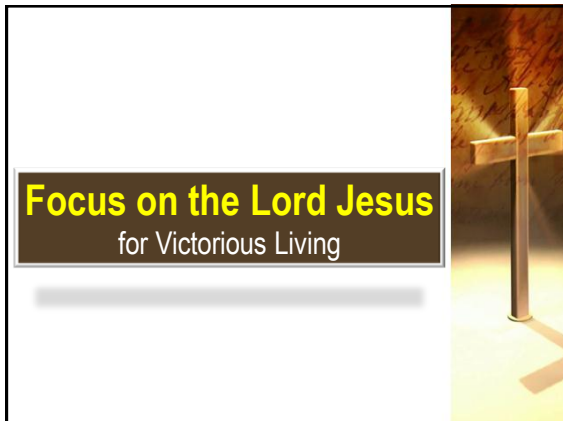




Hebrews 12:24 to **Jesus the Mediator of the new covenant**, and to the blood of sprinkling that speaks better things than that of Abel.

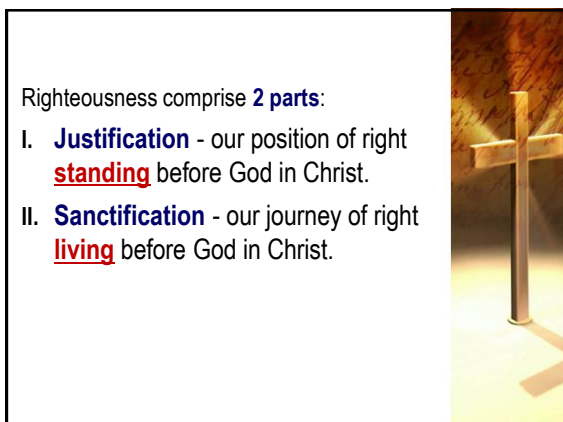
Hebrews 8:6 But now He has obtained a **more excellent ministry**, inasmuch as He is also **Mediator of a better covenant**, which was established on **better promises**.



Focus on **His** Righteousness, not **our** righteousness.

1 Corinthians 1:30 But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, who became for us **wisdom** from God—and **righteousness** and sanctification and redemption—

Christ Jesus is our **Righteousness**.



I. **Justification** - Right **standing** before God in Christ.

1. Know that in Christ, we can come to God **24/7/365**.

Romans 5: 1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have **peace with God** through our Lord Jesus Christ ..

2. This righteousness is the Righteousness of **God**.

2 Corinthians 5:21 For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the **righteousness of God** in Him.



3. We receive this righteousness as a **gift**.

Romans 4:3 For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham **believed** God, and it was **accounted** to him for **righteousness**." **4** Now to him who **works**, the **wages** are not counted as **grace** but as debt. **5** But to him who does **not work but believes** on Him who justifies the ungodly, **his faith is accounted for righteousness** ...



Romans 4:3-5

4. We receive this righteousness by **faith** when we **confess** Jesus Christ as Saviour and Lord.

Romans 10:9 that if you **confess** with your **mouth** the Lord **Jesus** and **believe** in your **heart** that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. **10** For with the **heart** one **believes** unto **righteousness**, and with the **mouth confession** is made unto **salvation**.



Romans 10:9-10

5. It is entirely due to the **mercy** and **grace** of God to give us this righteousness in Christ.

Ephesians 2:8 For **by grace** you have been saved **through faith**, and that not of yourselves; it is the **gift of God**, **9 not of works**, lest anyone should boast.

Romans 10:4 For Christ is the **end** of the **law** for **righteousness** to **everyone who believes**.



Ephesians 2:8-9

6. We cannot **work** to earn this righteousness.

Romans 10:3 For they being **ignorant of God's righteousness**, and **seeking to establish their own righteousness**, have not submitted to the righteousness of God.



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Philippians 3:9 and be found in Him, not having my **own righteousness**, **which is from the law**, but that which is **through faith in Christ**, the **righteousness which is from God by faith** ...



II. **Sanctification** - Right **living** before God in Christ.

1. In our daily walk, focus to be led and ruled by the Holy Spirit, not by **our self-life**, external **laws** or anything else.



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A. To be led is to be **ruled, governed, tutored** and **directed**.



B.i. Legalism is when we are ruled by **rules**.



B.ii. Lawlessness is when we are ruled by "**whatever**" seems right **in our own eyes** without regard to the Laws of God.

Judges 21:25 In those days there was no king in Israel; **everyone did what was right in his own eyes**.



B.iii. Lawfulness is when we are ruled by **God** [to fulfill the Spirit of the Law] in our **relationship** with Him.

Matthew 6:33 But **seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness**, and all these things shall be added to you.





C. In living the Christian life, we must know the difference between:

- i. Relying on **our own** effort and strength.
- ii. Relying **completely** on the Holy Spirit to enable and empower us.


Hebrews 8:10 For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will **put My laws in their mind** and **write them on their hearts**; and I will be their God, and they shall be My people.





- ii. Relying **completely** on the Holy Spirit to enable and empower us.
- e.g. 1 - When we deal with **anger** and **bitterness** in our hearts, we will not physically murder.
- e.g. 2 - When we deal with **lust** in our hearts, we will not commit adultery.
- e.g. 3 - When we deal with **covetousness** in our hearts, we will not steal.
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- Di. We cannot **mix** our self-righteousness with God's righteousness.
- Dii. There is only **one** righteousness i.e. God's
- Diii. It does not depend on **us**, it depends entirely on **Jesus** who is our Sanctifier.
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Romans 10:4 For **Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.**

- Div. When Christ is our Sanctifier, we move from
- (a) Being tutored or ruled by our **self-life**, external **laws** or anything else.
- to
- (b) Being tutored - ruled - led and empowered only by the **Holy Spirit**.
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2. Focus on the super abundant **grace** in Christ, not on our level of **faith**.
- A. From God's perspective, He has already given us **all** the faith for **all** the needs in our lives.
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- B. From the believer's perspective, our faith "**grows**" as we journey in **revelation** and **experience** with God.
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2 Peter 1:2 Grace and peace be multiplied to you in the **knowledge of God** and of **Jesus our Lord**, **3** as His divine power has **given to us all things that pertain to life and godliness, through the knowledge of Him** who called us by glory and virtue, **4** by which have been given to us **exceedingly great and precious promises**, that through these you may be partakers of the divine nature, having escaped the corruption that is in the world through lust.



2 Peter 1:2-4

Super Abundant Grace of God:

Strength Courage Healing Wisdom
 Peace Companionship Provision
 Protection Download Favor
 Divine Appointments / D-Connections
 Power Love Revelation

Romans 8:28 Genesis 50:20
 2 Corinthians 12:9 Hebrews 12:2



C. See the super abundant grace available to the believer in the **Divine Exchange** in Christ.

Romans 5:1 Therefore, having been **justified** by faith, we have **peace with God** through our Lord Jesus Christ, **2** through whom also we have **access by faith into this grace** in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

Romans 5:1-2



C. See the super abundant grace available to the believer in the **Divine Exchange** in Christ.

John 16:33 These things I have spoken to you, that **in Me you may have peace**. In the world you will have tribulation; but be of good cheer, **I have overcome the world.**"



D. Appropriate the Divine Exchange by the **Spirit of Faith**.

2 Corinthians 1:20 (NIV) For no matter how **many promises** God has made, they are "**Yes**" **in Christ**. And so through him the "**Amen**" **is spoken by us to the glory of God**.

2 Corinthians 4:13 And since **we** have the **same spirit of faith**, according to what is written, "**I believed** and therefore **I spoke**," **we** also **believe** and therefore **speak** ...



3. Focus on God's love for **me** and not **my** love for Him.

John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.



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1 John 3:1 Behold **what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us**, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him.



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1 John 4:16 And we have **known** and **believed** **the love that God has for us** ...

1 John 4:19 We love Him because **He first loved us**.



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Romans 5:5 Now hope does not disappoint, because the **love of God** has been **poured out in our hearts** by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.



4. Focus on the **one** thing that is needful **first** and then we will know the **priority** of the **many** things to do.

Luke 18:22 So when Jesus heard these things, He said to him [Rich Young Ruler], "You still **lack one thing**. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me."



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Psalm 27:3 Though an **army** may **encamp against me**, my heart shall not fear; though **war** may rise **against me**, in this I will be confident.

4 **One thing** I have desired of the Lord, that will I seek: that I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in His temple.



Psalm 27:3-4

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Luke 10:42 But **one thing** is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her.



CONCLUSION

Is your world falling apart?

Colossians 1:17 (NIV)
in Him all things hold together.

Jesus be the center of it all

