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Righteousness is the ability to stand before a holy God without any sense of inferiority, guilt or shame of any kind

Righteous = Justified

“Just - as - if - I’d - never sinned

Isa 32:17 Amp: ... *the effect of righteousness will be peace (internal and external), and the result of righteousness will be quietness and confident trust forever.*

Righteousness - #1343 dikaiosune *dik - ah - yos - oo - nay*  
Rt #1349 dike - right

Old English > right wiseness

Vines: *the character or quality of being right or just*  
*Conforming to the revealed will of God*

Amp: *conformity to the Divine will*  
*in purpose, thought and action*

Ps 97:2 ... righteousness and judgment are the habitation (foundation) of His throne .....

Mt 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

**Heb 1:8,9** ... Thy throne, O God, is for ever and ever;  
a sceptre of righteousness is the sceptre of thy  
kingdom.

Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity  
therefore God, even thy God, hath anointed thee  
with the oil of gladness above thy fellows.

*Norlie: ... you have loved what is right  
and hated what is wrong*

Jesus loved the right things  
He hated the right things  
Therefore, He received the oil of gladness  
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√ #20 agalliasis - exultation : exceeding joy  
Rt. #21 agalliao - lit: to jump for joy over  
and over again

Jesus had attitude -

- He was not passive or indifferent towards this world
- Definite attitude towards life ... people ... institutions
- He loved Righteousness - conformity to God's Will
- He hated Iniquity - rebellion against God's Will

Righteousness is conforming to the will of God

- wanting what God wants
- doing what is right in the eyes of God

Iniquity is rebellion against God's authority

- wanting to do your own thing
- going your way instead of God's way

Iniquity #458 anomia *an om ee' ah*

Rt. #459 anomos - not subject to the law

a - neg. particle      nomos - law, principles

Lit: not subject to the Law of God

..... the principles of God's will

II Thess 2:7 For the mystery of iniquity doth  
already work .....

*Amp: ... that hidden principle of rebellion against constituted  
authority is already at work in the world ...*

**Where is iniquity at work :**

Mt 23:27,28 Woe unto you scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites.

For ye are like unto whited sepulchers, which indeed  
appear beautiful outward, but are within full of dead  
men's bones, and of all uncleanness.

Even so ye also outwardly appear righteous unto men,  
but within ye are full of hypocrisy and iniquity.

Isa 64:6 ... all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags ...

*Amp: ... our best deeds ... like filthy rags ...*

I Cor 1:30 ... Christ Jesus ... has been made unto us  
wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption.

*Wms: .... our means of right standing with God ...*

Rom 4:25 (Jesus) ... was delivered for our offences, and  
was raised again for our justification

**Rom 10:2,3** For I bear them record that they have a zeal of God, but not according to knowledge.

For they being ignorant of God's righteousness, and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God ...

*Amp: ... being ignorant of the righteousness that God ascribes - which makes one acceptable to Him in word, thought and deed - and seeking to establish their own righteousness ... means of salvation ... they did not obey or submit themselves to God's R...*

*Knox: ... they did not recognize God's way of justification*

*Moff: ... they would not surrender to ...*

*Gdspd: ... they refused to conform to ...*

*Phil: ... they have the wrong attitude to receive ....  
the righteousness of God.*

**Rom 10:4** For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

*Gdspd: ... Christ marks the termination of law, so that now anyone who has faith may attain uprightness ...*

*Phil: ... Christ means the end of the struggle for righteousness by the law for everyone who believes in Him ...*

**Rom 10:6-10** But the righteousness which is of faith speaketh on this wise, Say not in thine heart, Who shall ascend into heaven? (That is, to bring Christ down from above);

- *IT'S NOT BY RELIGIOUS WORKS* -

Or, who shall descend into the deep? (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead).

But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart; that is the word of faith, which we preach;

That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.

For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

*Phil: ... For it is believing in the heart that makes a man righteous before God.*

**Rom 1:16,17** For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ; for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith; as it is written, The just (righteous) shall live by faith.

*TCNT: ... for in it there is a revelation of the Divine Righteousness ..*

*Phil: ... I see in it God's plan for imparting righteousness to men ... a process begun and continued by their faith,*

Titus 3:5 Not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, by the washing of regeneration, and renewing of the H. G.

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## **Religion preaches sin -**

Rom 3:23 For all have sinned, and come short of  
the glory of God.

RELIGION PREACHES SIN  
& IGNORES RIGHTEOUSNESS

RELIGION PREACHES WORKS  
IGNORES GOD'S GRACE

religion > Latin: religo - to bind

*the subject of this verse is not sin*  
*... but the righteousness of God -*

Rom 3:20 *Wms:* ... no human creature can be brought into  
right standing with God by observing the law.

*Gdspd:* ... all the law can do is make men  
conscious of sin ...

- :21 But now the righteousness of God without the  
law is manifested ...
- :22 Even the righteousness of God which is by faith  
of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that  
believe, for there is no difference;
- :23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory  
of God.
- :24 Being justified (declared righteous) freely by His  
grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.

Amp: ... since all have sinned and are falling short of the honor and glory which God bestows and receives. All are justified and made upright and in right standing with God, freely and gratuitously by His grace (His unmerited favor and mercy), through the redemption which is provided in Christ Jesus.

Knox: ... justification comes to us as a free gift of His grace.

Wms: ... anybody may have right standing with God as a free gift of His undeserved favor

Cony: ... through the ransom which is paid in Christ Jesus ...

Rom 3:25 Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in His blood, to declare His righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God;

:26 To declare, I say, at this time His righteousness; that He might be just and the justifier of him that believeth in Jesus.

TCNT: For God set him before the world, to be, by the shedding of His blood, a means of reconciliation through faith in His blood ...

NEB: ... God designed Him to be the means of expiating sin by His sacrificial death, effective through faith



Preachers say :

*Christ is coming back for a Church without spot or wrinkle ..... so clean yourself up ....*

Eph 5:25-27 ... Christ loved the church, and gave Himself for it; That he might sanctify and cleanse it with the washing of water by the word. That He might present it to Himself a glorious church, not having spot, or wrinkle, or any such thing; but that it should be holy and without blemish.

You can't present yourself without spot or wrinkle  
- You can't clean yourself up -

Col 1:22 In the body of His flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unproveable in His sight.

Martin Luther -

*"The more men try to satisfy the law, the more they transgress it. The more someone tries to bring peace to his conscience through his own righteousness, the more disquieted he makes it."*

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Eph 4:24 And that ye put on the new man, which after God is created in righteousness and true holiness.

√ enduo - sinking into a garment

*Amp: ... put on the new nature (the regenerate self) ...*

*TCNT: ... you must clothe yourselves in that new nature.*

*Phil: ... put on the clean fresh clothes of the new life*

*Thayer: ... to become so possessed of the mind of Christ as in thought, feeling and action, to resemble Him As it were - to reproduce the life He now lives.*

Rom 5:17 For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.

*Cony: ...far more shall the reign of life be established in those who receive the overflowing fulness of the free gift of righteousness by the one man Jesus Christ ...*

*Wms: ... receive ... His gift of right standing with Himself ...*

...So we can come boldly unto His throne ...  
to obtain grace to help in time of need

Heb 4:16

James 1:19,20 Wherefore, my beloved brethren, let every man be swift to hear, slow to speak, slow to wrath. For the wrath of man worketh not the righteousness of God.

Being angry does not work Righteousness

- Judgmental
- Mean
- Looking down you nose at people

Mt 5:6 Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled.

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#5526 chortazo - to gurge, supplied in abundance

Weymouth - .... *they shall be completely satisfied.*

You have to hunger for the Right Things  
..... hunger for God's Way ... God's Plan

Rom 14:17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness and peace and joy in the H.G.

Mt 6:33 But seek ye first the kingdom of God, and His righteousness; and all these things shall be added unto you.

Phil: ... *set your heart on His kingdom* ...

TCNT: ... *and the righteousness that He requires* ...