

“The Foundations” – Part III
Justification by Faith
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- I. Psalm 11; Galatians 3:2-11
 - A. Four points regarding justification:
 - 1. Salvation is a work of God alone (vv2-5)
Ephesians 2:4-5
 - 2. Faith is a gift of God. (v5)
(1 Corinthians 1:23-25, 30-31)
 - a. Saving faith agrees with Scripture.
 - b. Saving faith acknowledges Christ as the only way.
 - c. Saving faith embraces the cross not only as a means of death but of life.
 - 3. Justification is the result of saving faith.
 - a. Justification must not be associated with what we do.
 - b. Justification is not synonymous with the visible church.
 - c. Recognizing the difference between justification and sanctification.
 - (1)
 - (2)
 - (3)
 - 4. Justification by faith frees us from the curse of the law.
 - a. (Romans 8:1)
 - b. (Romans 5:1)
 - c. (Romans 8:16)

Gal 3:2-11

2 This is the only thing I want to find out from you: did you receive the Spirit by the works of the Law, or by hearing with faith? 3 Are you so foolish? Having begun by the Spirit, are you now being perfected by the flesh? 4 Did you suffer so many things in vain -- if indeed it was in vain? 5 So then, does He who provides you with the Spirit and works miracles among you, do it by the works of the Law, or by hearing with faith? 6 Even so Abraham BELIEVED GOD, AND IT WAS RECKONED TO HIM AS RIGHTEOUSNESS. Therefore, be sure that it is those who are of faith who are sons of Abraham. 8 The Scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the Gentiles by faith, preached the gospel beforehand to Abraham, saying, "ALL THE NATIONS WILL BE BLESSED IN YOU." 9 So then those who are of faith are blessed with Abraham, the believer. 10 For as many as are of the works of the Law are under a curse; for it is written, "CURSED IS EVERYONE WHO DOES NOT ABIDE BY ALL THINGS WRITTEN IN THE BOOK OF THE LAW, TO PERFORM THEM." 11 Now that no one is justified by the Law before God is evident; for, "THE RIGHTEOUS MAN SHALL LIVE BY FAITH."

Eph 2:4-5

4 But God, being rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, 5 even when we were dead in our transgressions, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved)...

1 Cor 1:23-25, 30-31

23 but we preach Christ crucified, to Jews a stumbling block and to Gentiles foolishness, 24 but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. 25 Because the foolishness of God is wiser than men, and the weakness of God is stronger than men...30 But by His doing you are in Christ Jesus, who became to us wisdom from God, and righteousness and sanctification, and redemption, 31 so that, just as it is written, "LET HIM WHO BOASTS, BOAST IN THE LORD."

Rom 8:1

Therefore there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Rom 5:1

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...

Rom 8:16

16 The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God...