

Galatians 2:15-21-NKJV

- 15 We *who are* Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles,
16 knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified.
17 "But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, *is* Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not!
18 For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.
19 For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God.
20 I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the *life* which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.
21 I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness *comes* through the law, then Christ died in vain."

Galatians 2:15–21-Passion

- 15 Although we're Jews by birth and not non-Jewish "sinners,"
16 we know full well that we don't receive God's perfect righteousness as a reward for keeping the law, but by the faith of Jesus the Messiah! His faithfulness, not ours, has saved us, and we have received God's perfect righteousness. Now we know that God accepts no one by the keeping of religious laws, but by the gift of grace!"
17 If we are those who desire to be saved from our sins through our union with the Anointed One, does that mean our Messiah promotes our sins if we still acknowledge that we are sinners? How absurd!
18 For if I start over and reconstruct the old religious system that I have torn down with the message of grace, I will appear to be one who turns his back on the truth.
19 It was when I tried to obey the law that I was condemned with a curse, because I'm not able to fulfill every single detail of it. But because the Messiah lives in me, I've now died to the law's dominion over me so that I can live for God in heaven's freedom!

20 My old identity has been crucified with Messiah and no longer lives; for the nails of his cross, crucified me with him. And now the essence of this new life is no longer mine, for the Anointed One lives his life through me—we live in union as one! My new life is empowered by the faith of the Son of God who loves me so much that he gave himself for me, and dispenses his life into mine!
21 So that is why I don't view God's grace as something minor or peripheral. For if keeping the law could release God's righteousness to us, the Anointed One would have died for nothing."

Galatians 3:22-AMP

22 But the Scriptures [*picture all mankind as sinners*] **shut up and imprisoned by sin**, so that [*the inheritance, blessing*] which was promised through faith in Jesus Christ (the Messiah) might be given (released, delivered, and committed) **to [all] those who believe** [*who adhere to and trust in and rely on Him*].

A. Our sin is a debt.

Romans 3:23-Messianic Jewish Literal Translation

23...for all sinned and are come short of the glory of God,
24 being declared righteous without **paying a cost**, by His unmerited favor through the redemption that is in Messiah Yeshua...
25 whom, through the faith in His blood, God set forth as a **Kaporet** for the showing of His righteousness, because of the passing over of the past sins in the forbearance of God---for the showing of His righteousness in the present time, for His being righteous, and declaring who is of the faith of Yeshua.

Kaporet – the atonement (blood) cover on the *ark of the testimony*,... "mercy seat."

B. Our sin is enmity (a hostility towards God).

James 4:4-MJLT

Adultresses! Have you not know that the world's friendship is hostility with God?

C. Our sin is a crime, an offense.

James 2:10-AMP

For whosoever keeps the Law [*as a*] whole but stumbles and **offends in one [single instance]** has become guilty of [*breaking*] all of it.

John 3:36 (NIV)

36 Whoever believes in the Son has eternal life, but whoever rejects the Son will not see life, for God's **wrath remains on him.**

Mankind as a whole is not right with God!

1. Justification by faith is a onetime instantaneous act of God.
2. Justification is the imputation of our sins to Christ and His righteousness to us.

Imputation - *to reckon (add, or charge to someone's account).*

2 Corinthians 5:21 (NIV)

God made him who had no sin **to be sin for us,** so that in him we might **become the righteousness of God.**

3. Justification is a legal declaration by God that we are right with him.
4. Justification is granted by God...in response to our faith.



**HOW CAN A PERSON
BE RIGHT
WITH GOD.**

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