



Jesus is our Justification

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Main Idea

On the cross, Jesus took our sin and gave us his righteousness that we might be justified before God.

Discussion Starter

Today deal's run rampant – Groupon, Living Social, TLC's Extreme Couponing, etc. We all love a good deal. What's the best deal you have ever received?

Bridge: Justification is the best deal available. So let's talk about what exactly Justification is, how it happens, and how we take part in it.

Questions

1. Christians often use the term 'salvation', what exactly does this term mean? What are we saved from, by, to, and for? What's the importance of having such a robust definition of salvation?
2. It was said that 'Propitiation' is the jewel of the gospel, where as 'Justification,' 'Redemption,' and 'Reconciliation' are the setting that helps propitiation shine. Why is this the case?
3. Read Genesis 12:1-3 & 15:1-6. What does Abraham do to become counted as righteous before God? What is the significance of this?
4. Read Romans 3:21-26. What type of righteousness is required? Why?
5. How does justification happen? How do we take part in it?
6. What does it mean to have faith? Is it the strength of our faith, or the object of our faith that allows us to receive justification?
7. Read Galatians 3:1-9. What are some ways that we try to perfect ourselves by the flesh, by works of the law? When we do this what are we saying about the cross? What's the significance of Paul referencing Abraham here in verses 6, 7, & 9?