Romans 3 • From Sin to Salvation

Part I: Condemnation Under Sin

- 1. (v.1-2) No one should take the Word of God for granted by failing to put it into **practice**, understanding that its blessings come about as a result of **obedience**, not **heritage**.
- 2. (v.3-4) The faithfulness and righteousness of God steadfastly **continue** in spite of man's **disobedience** to His Word and ways.
- (v.5-8) The faithfulness and righteousness of God steadfastly
 continue in spite of man's misrepresentation of His Word and ways.
- 4. (v.9-18) The proof that everyone has turned aside from God's Word is in their treatment of others.
- 5. (v.19-20) The Law by itself does not effect <u>salvation</u>, but <u>condemnation</u> by disclosing sin.

Part II: Justification by Faith

- 6. (v.21) The work of <u>Christ</u> brings to the foreground what had always been present in the God's <u>Word</u>.
- 7. (v.22-26) Nothing is <u>earned</u> personally, but comes as a <u>gift</u> of grace by God through the demonstration of Christ's <u>righteousness</u>, of which we are partakers by <u>faith</u>.
- 8. (v.27-31) The Gospel of Christ <u>establishes</u> the Law, revealing our need for <u>grace</u>, by which we are in turn enabled to <u>obey</u> the Law.

Overall Application

 (v.1-8) What people say and do in the <u>name</u> of God's <u>Word</u> does not invalidate God's <u>Word</u>.

- (v.9-18) Everyone is in <u>bondage</u> to sin with or without knowledge of God's <u>Word</u>.
- (v.19-20) God's Word makes known everyone's sin.
- (v.21-26) God's <u>Word</u> testifies that <u>justification</u> for sin can only come through <u>Christ</u>.
- (v.27-31) The visible <u>proof</u> of justification is obedience to God's Word.