

Sunday January 7th, 2018

EMERGENCY

Bible Numbers

Upset?.....	John 14
Weak?	Psalms 18:1-29
Lonely?.....	Psalms 23
Sinned?	Psalms 51
Worried?.....	Matthew 8:19-31
Anxious?	Phil. 4:4-9
Unhappy?	Col. 3:12-17
In Danger?.....	Psalms 91
Depressed?.....	Psalms 27
Lack of Faith?.....	Exodus 14
Others Unkind?.....	John 15
Need Courage?.....	Joshua 1
Need Direction?.....	Psalms 73:21-26
Seeking Peace?	Matthew 11:25-30
Leaving on a Trip?.....	Psalms 121
Labeled an Outcast?.....	Romans 8:31-39
Struggling with Loss?.....	Luke 15
Struggling Financially?.....	Psalms 37
Discouraged with Work?	Psalms 126



Justification

Why? How? What

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New Year; New Beginning

Another year has come and gone and with it a page in you life has turned and a new chapter is presented with amazing potential and opportunities. In 2018; you can do all things with Christ who strengthens you. Like the great Apostle Paul, take the opportunity to stop and take stock and check your plumb line:



- LOOK BACK and take stock of your Profit and Loss. **Philippians 3:7** *But what things were gain to me, these I have counted loss for Christ.* There were profitable and unprofitable things last year. Sort those out.

In 2018: Focus on the spiritually profitable things.

- LOOK WITHIN and take stock of your walk with Christ. **Philippians 3:12** *Not that I have already attained or am already perfected, but I press on...* How was your 2017 walk? Make 2018 better!

In 2018; Move closer to Jesus.

- LOOK AHEAD and take stock of what worked and what didn't. **Philippians 3:13** *...but one thing I do, forgetting those things which are behind and reaching forward to those things which are ahead...* Not everything that any of us did or did not do in 2017 was all good or all bad.

In 2018; Do more of the good and less of the not so.

When you came to Jesus, He did a big re-set in your life and He has continued to do re-sets. As the calendar rolled over, so too take the opportunity to roll into to 2018 with the expectancy of the great things to come.

Go 2018!

Blessings, Pastor Gene

Justification... Why? How? What?

Introduction: The Bible teaches that are two spiritual positions; Saved and Not Saved... In Christ and Not In Christ... Justified and Not Justified. The doctrine of Justification is one of the central truths of Christianity and when well-understood by believers, this amazing move of God's grace releases us into a way of life that is grounded in hope and rests in the peace that only God can provide. To be Justified pronounced to be made Righteous. Let us take a closer look at the Why, the How and the What of Justification as revealed through Scripture:

- Why do we need to be Justified? **Genesis 3:15** *And I will put enmity between you and the woman and between your seed and her Seed.* In this first of all Bible prophecies, the Lord announces that there is a great divide between two groups; the seed of the woman and the seed of the serpent. Scripture identifies the Seed of the woman as Jesus. but who is the seed of the serpent? In **John 8:42**, the Son of God reveals that non-believers do not have the same Father as He does.

All need Justification to be declared righteous before God.

- How do we become Justified? **Romans 3:21-24** *Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus.* Justification can not be earned. You can't be good enough or work hard enough for it. Justification is a move of God's grace towards anyone who accepts His Son as their Savior. **Romans 10:9**, tells us that *belief in* and *confession of* who Jesus is and what He did results in Justification.

Justification is by faith in Jesus alone.

- What happens after we are Justified? **Romans 5:1-5** *Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we also have...* There is no down-side to being Justified. The enmity that was pronounced upon man when he fell from grace is vanquished and his good-standing in the sight of God is restored when he is Justified. **2 Corinthians 5:17**, promises that all things become new. Old things pass away and God set a new life-course before you when you said yes to Jesus.

God has prepared good things for those who are Justified in His sight

The Word of God is profound and sometimes we can learn the words without understanding what they mean. Don't allow Justification to be merely a word that you use. The amazing power of Justification cannot be fully realized in your life unless you make it your mission to gain insight to; WHY this essential Christian principle is necessary, HOW it occurs and WHAT comes with it.