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WHAT IS FAITH?



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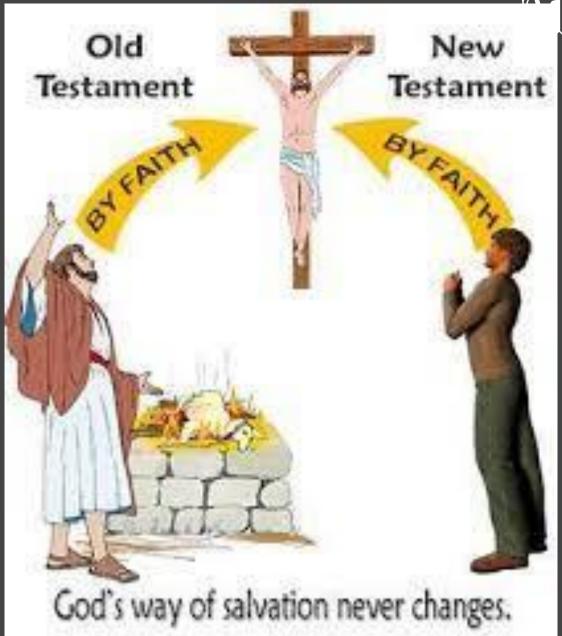
Noun:

- Complete trust or confidence in someone or something.
- Strong belief in God or in the doctrines of a religion, based on spiritual apprehension rather than proof.

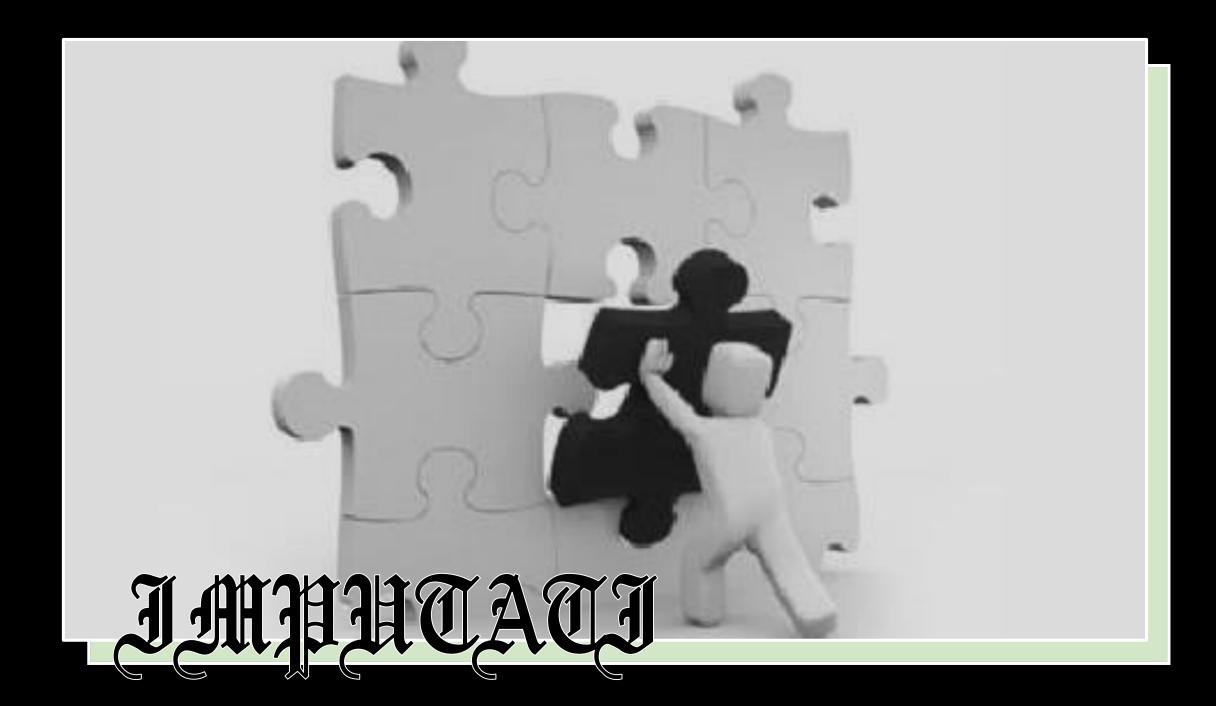
Synonyms: belief - trust - confidence - credence - credit



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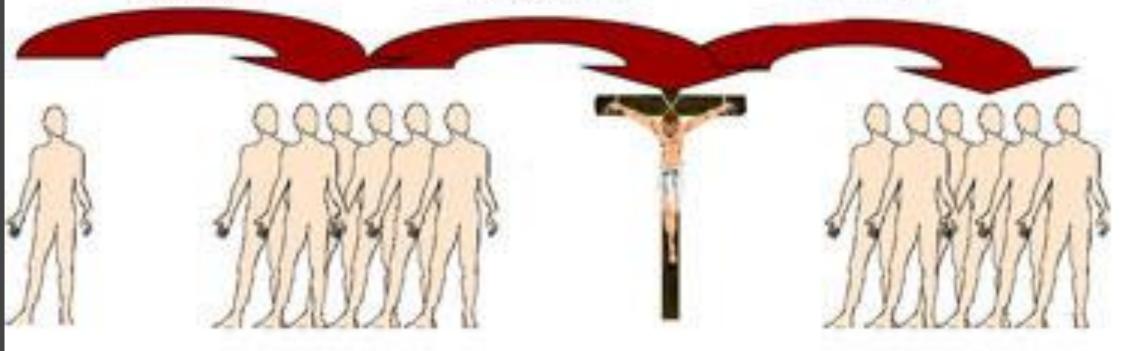
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- In statistics imputation is the process of replacing missing data with substituted values.
- In Theology, imputation is the action or process of ascribing righteousness, guilt, etc. to someone by virtue of a similar quality in another.
- Imputed righteousness is the righteousness of Jesus credited to the Christian, enabling the Christian to be justified.

Three Imputations

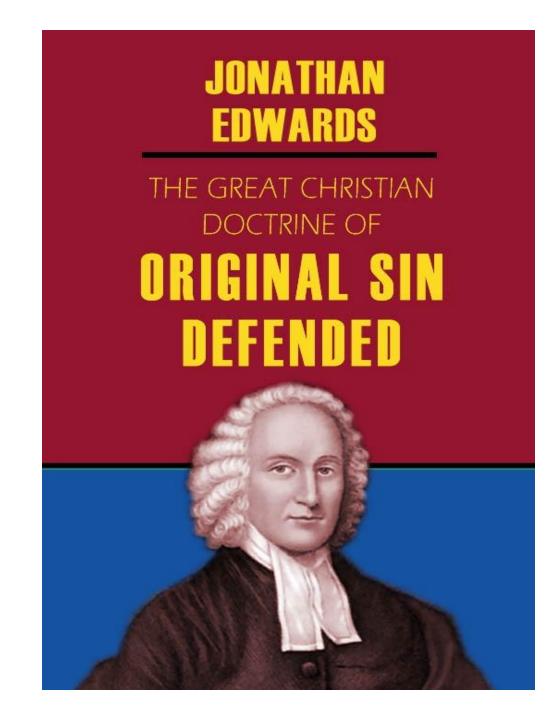
Adam's sin to man Man's sin to Christ

Christ's righteousness to man



(First published in 1758)

The Great Christian
Doctrine of Original
Sin had to be
Defended even in
his day because of
false doctrine



Sinfulness to Human Race after Adam & Eve

Romans 5:12-16 - Therefore, just as sin came into the world through one man, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men because all sinned— for sin indeed was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not counted where there is no law. Yet death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those whose sinning was not like the transgression of Adam, who was a type of the one who was to come. But the free gift is not like the trespass. For if many died through one man's trespass, much more have the grace of God and the free gift by the grace of that one man Jesus Christ abounded for many. And the free gift is not like the result of that one man's sin. For the judgment following one trespass brought condemnation, but the free gift following many trespasses brought justification.

Sinfulness to Human Race after Adam & Eve

Romans 5:17-21 - For if, because of one man's trespass, death reigned through that one man, much more will those who receive the abundance of grace and the free gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man Jesus Christ. Therefore, as one trespass led to condemnation for all men, so one act of righteousness leads to justification and life for all men. For as by the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, so by the one man's obedience the many will be made righteous. Now the law came in to increase the trespass, but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, so that, as sin reigned in death, grace also might reign through righteousness leading to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

1. Sinfulness to Human Race after Adam & Eve

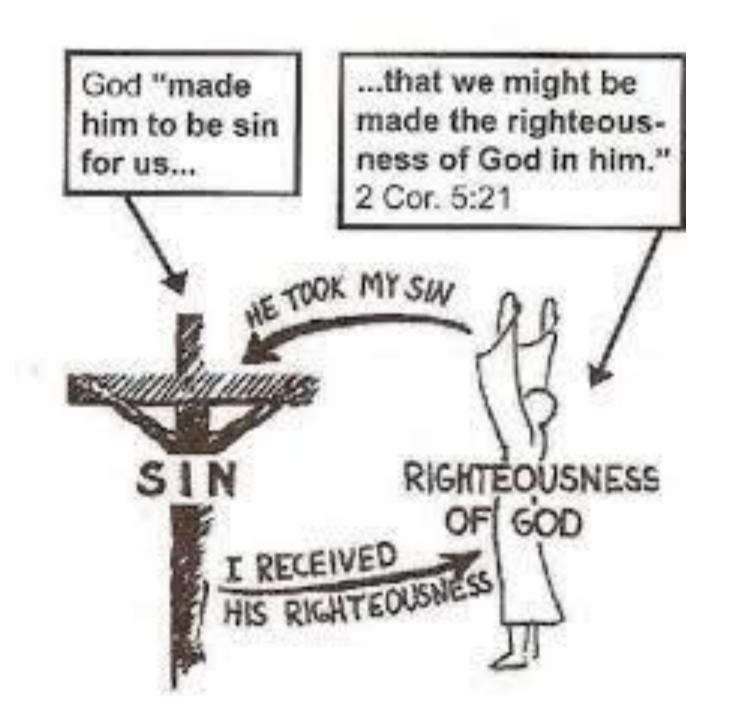
Paul's Emphasis Upon the One Transgression is emphasized at least five times in the following verses Paul says that death comes upon all humans because of the one sin of Adam:

- v15 by the <u>transgression of the one</u> the many died
- v16 the judgment arose from <u>one transgression</u> resulting in condemnation
- v17 by the <u>transgression of the one</u>, death reigned through the one
- v18 through one transgression there resulted condemnation to all men
- v19 For as through the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, even so through the obedience of the One the many will be made righteous.

2. Sinfulness to Sacrificial Lamb (Jesus on the Cross)

3. Righteousness of Christ to Sinful man

- **2 Corinthians 5:21 -** For our sake he (God The Father) made him (god The Son) to be sin who knew no sin, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.
- 1 Peter 3:17-18 For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit,
- <u>1 Peter 2:24</u> He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.









Imputed righteousness is the Protestant Christian doctrine that a sinner is declared righteous by God purely by God's grace through faith in Christ, and thus all depends on Christ's merit and worthiness, rather than on one's own merit and worthiness.

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What does Christ Impute to us?

- 1. Righteousress is the quality or state of being morally correct and justifiable. It can be considered synonymous with "rightness" or being "upright".
- 2. In the NT, the word righteousness, a translation word for the Greek dikaiosunē, is used as **'being righteous before others**' (Matt 5:20) or 'being righteous before God' (Rom 1:17).
- 3. The Sermon of the Mount contains the memorable commandment "Seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness".

Matthew 5:20 - For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.

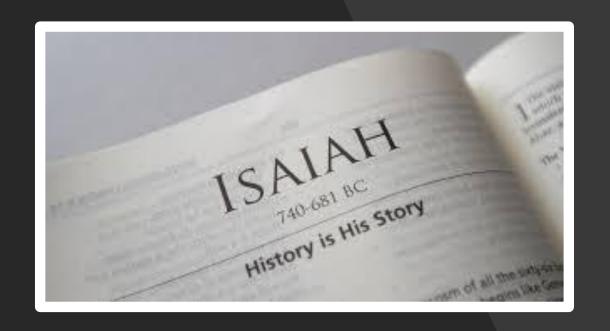
Matthew 6:1 - "Beware of practicing your righteousness before other people in order to be seen by them, for then you will have no reward from your Father who is in heaven.



Sermon on the Mount Matthew 5-7

Isaiah 64:6

We have all become like one who is unclean, <u>and all our</u> <u>righteous deeds are like a</u> <u>polluted garment</u>. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away.



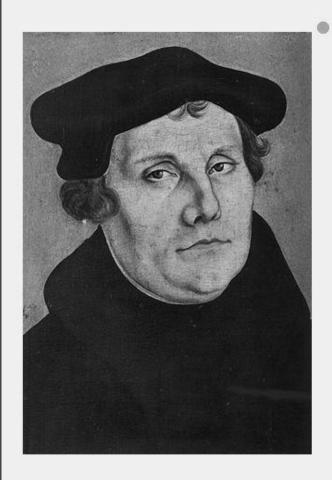
Philippians 3:8-9

Indeed, I count everything as loss because of the surpassing worth of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For his sake I have suffered the loss of all things and count them as rubbish, in order that I may gain Christ and be found in him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the law, <u>but that which comes through faith in Christ</u>, the righteousness from God that depends on faith—

|Romans 3:21-26|

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it— the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction: for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. This was to show God's righteousness, because in his divine forbearance he had passed over former sins. It was to show his righteousness at the present time, so that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.

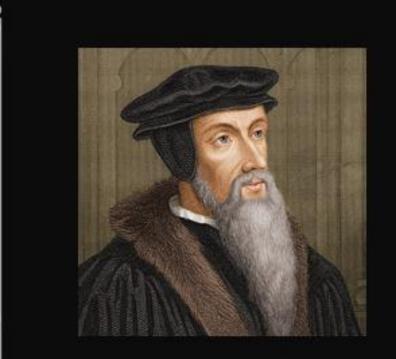
A quote by Martin Luther over 500 years ago:



"Those who try to achieve their own righteousness are slaves, who will never receive the inheritance even though they work themselves to death with their great effort; for they are trying, contrary to the will of God, to achieve by their own works what God wants to grant to believers by sheer grace for Christ's sake."







Justification by faith is the hinge on which all true religion turns.

~ John Calvin

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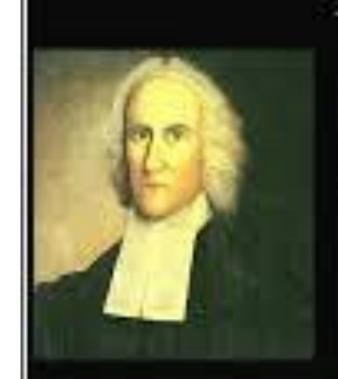
What Is the Difference between Rightousness and Justification?

<u>Righteousness is:</u> The quality or state of being righteous; holiness; purity; uprightness; rectitude. Righteousness, as used in Scripture and theology, in which it chiefly occurs, is nearly equivalent to holiness, comprehending holy principles and affections of heart, and conformity of life to the divine law.

<u>Justification is:</u> A reason, explanation, or excuse which provides convincing, morally acceptable support for behavior or for a belief or occurrence.

What is Justification?

- Justification is the act by which God moves a willful person from the state of sin (injustice) to the state of grace (justice),
- God forgives us our sin through Christ's sacrificial death on the cross by taking away our sin and making us clean in God's eyes.
- Thus, a Believers position before God changes from being guilty and condemned to that of being Innocent and free, for when he looks upon us, He sees Christ Righteousness and not our own.
- That change in a person's condition can only happen by Faith and not by any amount of Works



The apostle Paul is abundant in teaching, that 'we are justified by faith alone, without the works of the law!' There is no one doctrine that he insists so much upon, and that he handles with so much distinctness, explaining, giving reasons, and answering objections.

(Jonathan Edwards)

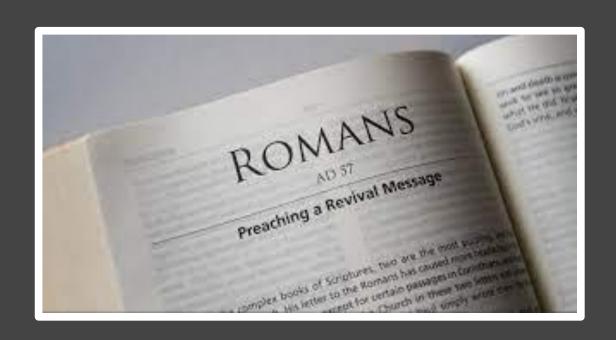
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We ourselves are Jews by birth and not Gentile sinners; yet we know that a person is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, so we also have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law, because by works of the law no one will be justified.

Galatians 2:15-16



Romans 4:5-8



And to the one who does not work but believes in him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness, just as David also speaks of the blessing of the one to whom God counts righteousness apart from works: "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven, and whose sins are covered; blessed is the man against whom the Lord will not count his sin."

CHARLES SPURGEON

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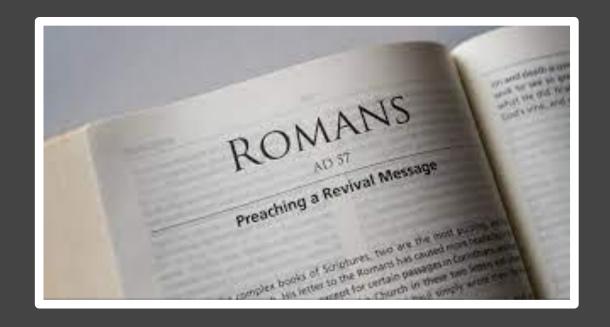




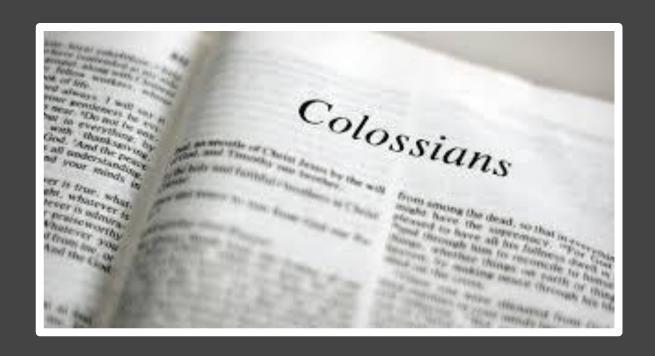
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but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Romans 5:8-11

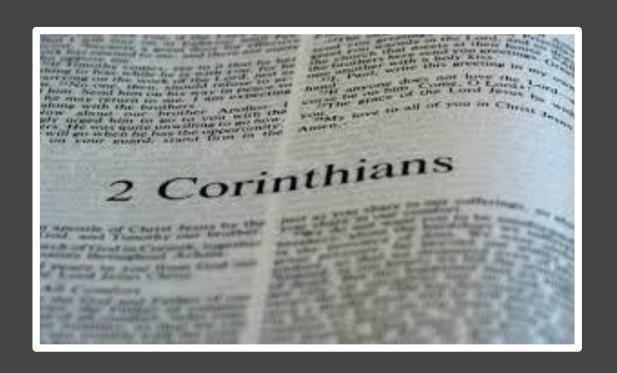


Colossians 1:20-22



and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross. And you, who once were alienated and hostile in mind, doing evil deeds, he has now reconciled in his body of flesh by his death, in order to present you holy and blameless and above reproach before him,

2 Corinthians 5:17-19



Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation. The old has passed away; behold, the new has come. All this is from God, who through Christ reconciled us to himself and gave us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting to us the message of reconciliation.





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What is Sanctification?

- Sanctification or in its verb form, sanctify, literally means "to set apart for special use or purpose", that is, to make holy or sacred.
- Therefore, sanctification refers to the state or process of being set apart, i.e. "made holy", as a vessel, full of the Holy Spirit of God.
- The term is most common use within Christian theology is in reference to the change brought about by God in a believer, begun at the point of salvation and continuing throughout the life of the believer.
- 2 Timothy 2:21 Therefore, if anyone cleanses himself from what is dishonorable, he will be a vessel for honorable use, set apart as holy, useful to the master of the house, ready for every good work.

Sanctification is the work of Jesus Christ

- Reformed Doctrine interpret sanctification as the process of being made holy only through the merits and justification of Jesus Christ through the work of the Holy Spirit that are then reflected in humanity. Sanctification cannot be attained by any worksbased process, but only through the works and power of the divine.
- When a person is unregenerate, it is their essence that sins and does evil. But when a person is justified through Christ, it is no longer the person (in their essence) that sins, but the person is acting outside of their character. In other words, the person is not being themself, they are not being true to who they are.

Sanctification is the work of the Holy Spirit

2 Thessalonians 2:13 - But we ought always to give thanks to God for you, brothers beloved by the Lord, because God chose you as the firstfruits to be saved, through sanctification by the Spirit and belief in the truth.

2 <u>1 Peter 1:2</u> - according to the foreknowledge of God the Father, in the sanctification of the Spirit, for obedience to Jesus Christ and for sprinkling with his blood: May grace and peace be multiplied to you.

Sanctification is the work of Word of Truth

John 17:17 - Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth.

2 1 Peter 1:22-23 - Having purified your souls by your obedience to the truth for a sincere brotherly love, love one another earnestly from a pure heart, since you have been born again, not of perishable seed but of imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God;

Sanctification is the work of the Believer

- Romans 12:2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.
- Ephesians 4:21-24 assuming that you have heard about him and were taught in him, as the truth is in Jesus, to put off your old self, which belongs to your former manner of life and is corrupt through deceitful desires, and to be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and to put on the new self, created after the likeness of God in true righteousness and holiness.





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- Glorification is the final stage in God's work of salvation. It is the crowning achievement of sanctification, in which Christians are fully conformed to the image of Christ. It is the perfection of the body, rejoined with soul and spirit in resurrection, as well as the restoration of the universe to its original state.
- Put another way, glorification is the means by which God fully reverses the effects of the Fall, purging creation of sin and its stain. It involves the return of Jesus, the future resurrection and judgment of all people, and the creation of new heavens and a new earth.
- For the most part, when Christians talk about glorification, we are referring to our future resurrection, at which time we receive incorruptible bodies similar to the body Christ had when He rose from the dead.

Five Aspects of Glorification

- 1. Glorification is the result of our salvation
- 2. Glorification is a relationship with Jesus Christ
- 3. Glorification involves the return of Jesus Christ
- 4. Glorification includes the resurrection of our physical bodies
- 5. Glorification causes a rejoicing in our hearts



Glorification is the result of our salvation

Romans 8:30 - And those whom he predestined he also called, and those whom he called he also justified, and those whom he justified he also glorified.



Glorification is a relationship with Jesus Christ

John 17:22-23 - The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.



Glorification involves the return of Jesus Christ

Colossians 3:1-4 - If then you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.



Glorification includes the resurrection of our physical bodies

<u>Philippians 3:20-21</u> - But our citizenship is in heaven, and from it we await a Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, who will transform our lowly body to be like his glorious body, by the power that enables him even to subject all things to himself.

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Glorification causes a rejoicing in our hearts

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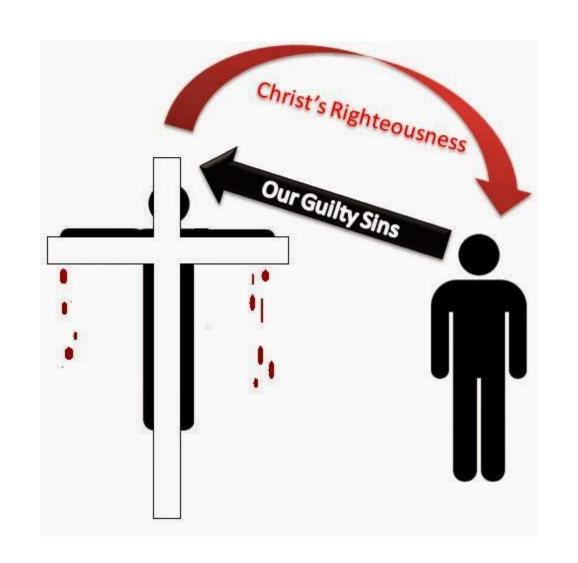


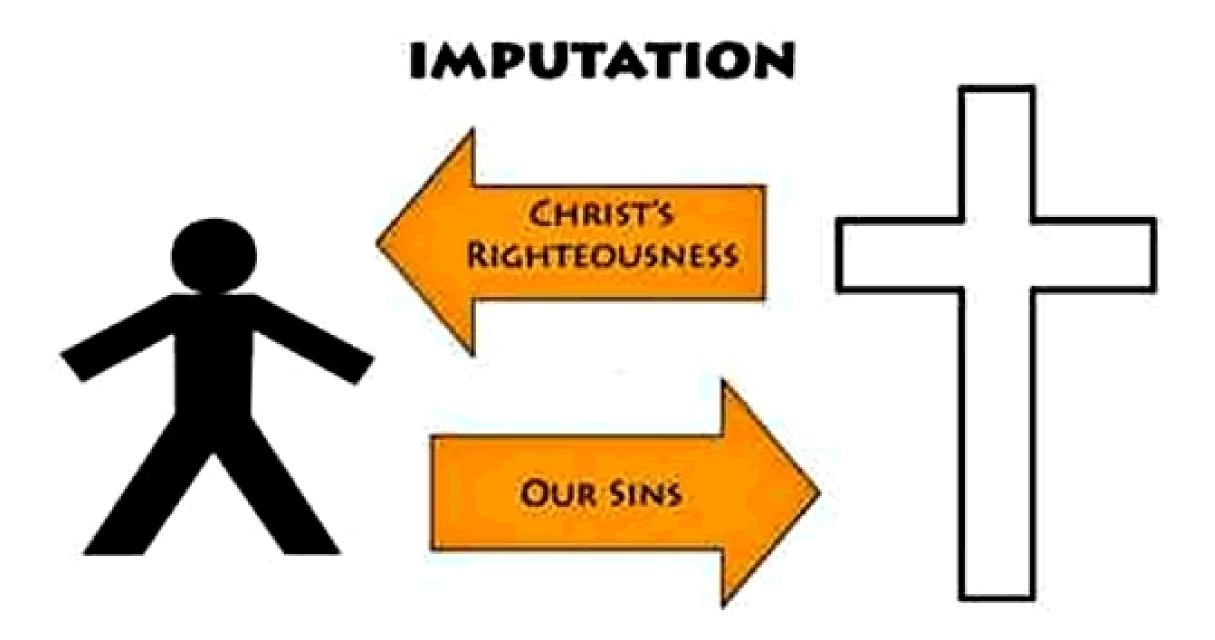


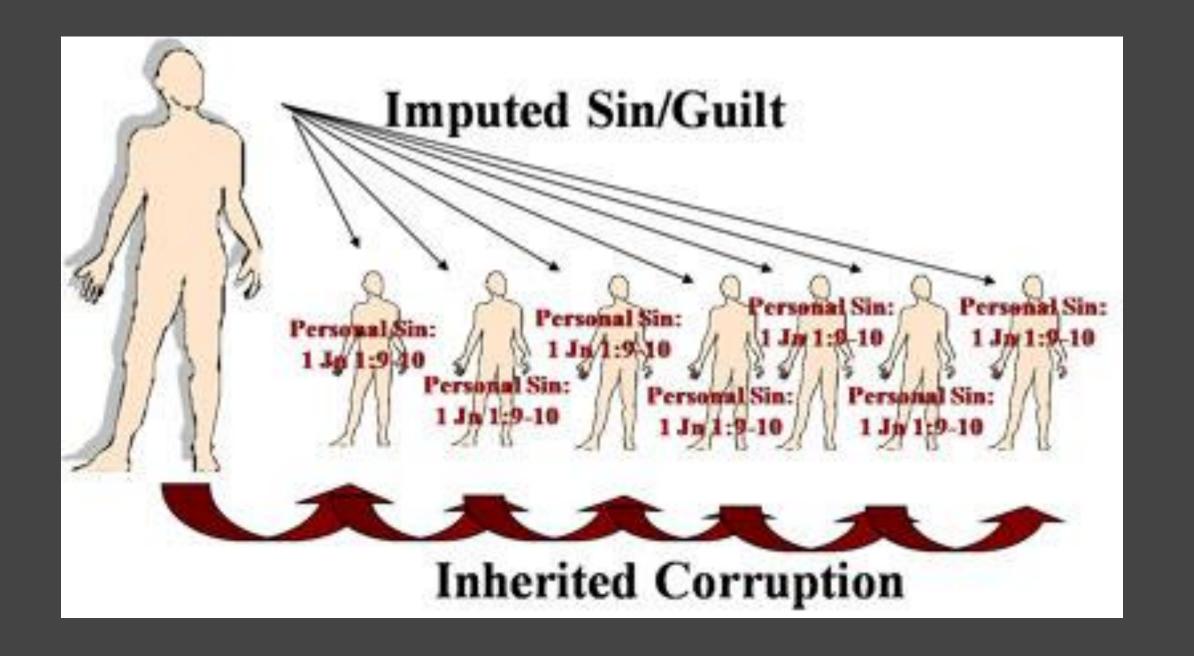
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THE HEART OF THE GOSPEL









Proof that you are guilty based on Adam

- From Adam to Moses there was no law.
- But people died.
- It means that even if the people's sins were not counted against the law, people died and are considered sinners.



The fact that they died showed that God counted them as guilty since one of the consequences of Adam's sin is that now Adam will die,

