LIFE 425 church

ROMANS: THE GOSPEL CHANGES EVERYTHING

Week 7 — But Now

Romans 3:21–26

Big Idea: God makes sinners right with Himself through faith in Jesus.

For the last few weeks, Romans has shown us our need: rejecting God, judging others, and relying on outward religion cannot make us right with Him. We all need a Savior.

"But now…" God has done for us what we could never do for ourselves.

1. GOD GIVES US WHAT WE COULD NEVER EARN — Romans 3:21–22; Ephesians 2:8–9

Being right with God is a gift, received through faith in Jesus. Our good deeds cannot erase our sin.

Stop trying to earn the gift Jesus has already paid for.

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2. WE ALL NEED THE SAME GRACE — Romans 3:22–23

All of us have sinned. We stand together in our need for God's mercy. Grace teaches us humility toward others and honesty about ourselves.

Your failure explains why you need grace. It does not disqualify you from receiving it.

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3. JESUS PAID THE PRICE TO MAKE US RIGHT — Romans 3:24–26; 2 Corinthians 5:21

Justified: Declared righteous in God's sight through Jesus.
Redemption: Freedom secured through the payment of a price.

At the cross, Jesus bore the judgment our sin deserved. Our assurance rests in what He has done.

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4. WE RECEIVE THIS GIFT BY TRUSTING JESUS — Romans 3:22, 25–26

Faith means depending on Jesus to do what we cannot do for ourselves. Obedience grows out of being loved and accepted in Christ.

Our acceptance is settled in Christ, even while our growth is still happening. Like paint that needs time to dry, an unfinished stage does not reveal the finished beauty. Keep following Jesus and trust His work in you.

My Response

Read Hebrews 10:22–23: Draw near to God and hold on to hope.

- Where am I still trying to earn God's acceptance?
- What would trusting Jesus look like for me this week?

Because of Jesus, I can draw near to God with hope.