

1 JUSTIFICATION – LIVE IT RIGHT

Galatians 2:20-21: ²⁰ I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. ²¹ I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died in vain.”

2 JUSTIFICATION: THE RIGHT WAY TO SALVATION

- 1) Justification – Get It Right;
- 2) Justification – Keep It Right; and
- 3) Justification – Live It Right.

3 Get It Right

- There is no salvation for us unless we GET IT RIGHT – There is only one way to salvation: By Grace, through faith in Christ alone – Without works – Without Ritual – Without the Law or Circumcision.

4 Keep It Right

- Even people who have been saved through faith in Christ alone sometimes want to go back to depending on human effort – Example of Peter. When that happens, it must be corrected – Love Feast at Antioch – Paul confronts Peter – teaches this lesson on JUSTIFICATION BY GRACE THROUGH FAITH IN CHRIST ALONE.

5 Live It Right

- That’s the lesson of Galatians 2:20 –
- Worth memorizing –
- One of those verses in the Bible that makes a good Stand-Alone sermon –
- In the context of Galatians and Paul’s teaching on Justification through Grace alone, by faith in Christ alone.

6 JUSTIFICATION – LIVE IT RIGHT Galatians 2:20

- 1 - Live a Crucified Life, “I have been crucified with Christ”
- 2 - Live a Christ-Life, “. . . it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me”
- 3 - Live a Changed Life, “and the life which I now live in the flesh”
- 4 - Live a Confident Life, “I live by faith in the Son of God”
- 5 - Live a Cherished Life, “who loved me and gave Himself for me.”

7 Live a Crucified Life, “I have been crucified with Christ”

- Jesus Died for Me
 - My Substitute
 - Story of George Wyatt on p. 15 of L. E. Maxwell’s book: *Born Crucified*
 - Today in the Lord’s Supper, we celebrate this wonderful truth.

8 I Died with Jesus

- “I Am crucified with Christ”
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- Romans 6:6 (NKJV): ⁶ knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin.

9 Live a Christ-Life, “. . . it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me”

- Regeneration
 - Born again through faith in Christ
 - Born Crucified
- Identification
 - George Wyatt
 - “. . . it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me”
 - Old Missionary

10 Live a Changed Life, “and the life which I now live in the flesh”

- Realization – Old Missionary
 - J. Hudson Taylor
- Sanctification

11 Live a Confident Life, “I live by faith in the Son of God”

- Faith in His death for me.
- Faith in His blood that was shed for me: Romans 3:25: Whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past.”

12 Live a Cherished Life, “who loved me and gave Himself for me.”

- Loved me
 - Celebrated through the Lord’s Supper
 - Romans 5:6–10: ⁶ For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more then, having now been justified by His

blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. ¹⁰ For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

13 CONCLUSION

- ²¹ I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died in vain.”
- John Walvoord: “If righteousness comes by keeping the law, the Cross was the biggest mistake in the universe.
- As Paul put it: “Christ died in vain – Christ died for nothing.”