

# How Can It Be?

How Good is Good Enough? Part 3

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Rom 3:21-28

<sup>21</sup> But now the righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify.

<sup>22</sup> This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.

There is no difference,

<sup>23</sup> for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,

<sup>24</sup> and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

<sup>25</sup> whom God set forth as a propitiation by his blood (God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement,) through faith in his blood.

He did this to demonstrate his righteousness, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished –

<sup>26</sup> he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

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<sup>28</sup> Therefore we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from observing the law.

## 1. Relationship with God Demands Righteousness

Rom 3:21,25,26

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## 2. No One is Righteous

Rom 3:22,23

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## 3. God Must Judge Sin

Romans 3:26

<sup>26</sup> he did it to demonstrate his righteousness at the present time, so as to be just

## 4. God, Himself, Pays the Penalty for Man's Sin

Rom 3:24-26

<sup>24</sup> and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus. <sup>25</sup> God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood.

<sup>26</sup> he did it to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

## 5. God Counts Us as Righteous by Grace Through Faith

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Rom 3:27

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