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SUNDAY MAY 28, 2023

PSALMS 35:19-20

Let not them that are mine enemies wrongfully rejoice over me: *neither* let them wink with the eye that hate me without a cause. For they speak not peace: but they devise deceitful matters against *them that are* quiet in the land.



## WELCOME TO RESCUE BAPTIST CHURCH

“Sinners are welcome at this church. We are a local body of the Lord Jesus Christ. As you spend time with us, you’ll soon discover we’re an imperfect church, with an imperfect pastor, yet by God’s undeserved grace, we preach, believe, and know the perfect gospel of our never-failing Lord Jesus Christ. We call His name Jesus for He shall, (not might, not maybe) but shall save His people from their sins, and every sinner that trusts in Christ is complete in Him, saved unto the uttermost” Hebrews 7:25 (copied)

### SCHEDULE MEETINGS

Sunday Morning Bible Study 10:00 AM  
Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 AM  
Friday Night Bible Study 7:00 PM

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“The ministry must be owned and blessed of God, or it will come to naught. The farmer plows and sows and then leaves the harvest to God! What else can he do? He cannot bring rain nor command the sun to shine nor make the seed to bear. So it is with us; true wisdom does what God commands and leaves the results in His hands. You can apply this principle to all that concerns you.” ~Pastor Henry Mahan

In election the Lord set us apart to be His children. In adoption He gave us the relationship of children. In regeneration He gave us the privilege of being His children. In justification He gave us the perfect standing of children. In glorification He will give us the inheritance of children --Copied

### MUR-MUR

“There is something expressive in that word murmur. I have often wondered at the wisdom of the man who gave it the meaning that it has, though I do not know who he was. "Mur-mur" – two ugly little syllables, such as any cross child could easily sound; but it is a childish, foolish, wicked habit for any of us to fall into, to be murmuring against God; for, after all, our mercies far outnumber our sorrows. As long as we are out of hell, we have no right to complain; for, if we had received our deserts, we should have been there now. Dear friends, may God help you to shake off this murmuring spirit as Paul shook the viper off his hand into the fire; and when you have done that, then you will probably find that the Lord will speedily appear to comfort your heart.

-C. H. Spurgeon

## ANNOUNCEMENT

- Our clean-up workday is scheduled for Saturday June the 17<sup>th</sup>.

### THE GREATEST OF ALL CHARITY

Ro 3: 26: To declare, *I say*, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

Ultimately, there have only ever been two beliefs among professing Christians throughout all generations. One belief is that it is the sinner's act of believing which justifies him before God. The other is that it is God who is both just and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

I do not doubt that many are sincere in their desire to show "charity" when they attempt to bridge these opposing beliefs. I have heard it said that the issue is not what the Lord Jesus Christ did or did not accomplish by his one offering, but rather the issue is "justification by faith." Such error is the same as saying the issue is not *on whom* one believes but merely *that* he believes. It is the same as saying it is not Christ's work that justifies but "self's act of believing" that justifies. To say such a thing is to make the justifier, not God, but "self." The slightest agreement with such comprises is not only the opposite of love, it is blasphemous to God and murderous to our friends and family.

The very righteousness of God, witnessed throughout scripture by both the law and the prophets, is that sinners are justified freely by God showing grace to whom he is pleased to show grace. Christ Jesus justified those for whom he fully paid the ransom. God declared his righteousness clearly before the whole world by setting forth his Son in whom both justice and mercy are satisfied toward all whom God chose to save. God's very righteousness is that he alone is both just and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus (Ro 3: 24-26.) Justification by faith is the Spirit of God shutting sinner's mouths and giving such vessels of mercy faith to believe on their Justifier.

The gospel is offensive to sinners because, by nature, we want the glory that belongs to God alone. Yet, if we would truly be a friend to sinners, we must not attempt to save ourselves from the hurt we will incur by stating the truth of God according to his word. The Lord Jesus said, "*Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends*" (John 15:13.) If we would truly show love to all who will listen, we must lay down our lives and preach the gospel by which God is pleased to call out those he has justified--doing so is showing the greatest of all charity.

~Clay Curtis