

SERMON NOTES

RESCUE BAPTIST CHURCH

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Rom 3:22-26

Even the righteousness of God *which is* by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference: For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: 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, through the forbearance of God; To declare, *I say*, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.



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 to the uttermost” Hebrews 7:25 (copied)

SCHEDULED MEETINGS

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

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SCRIPTURE READING PSALMS 15:1-5

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WORTHLESS MORALITY PREACHING

The morality-preaching that passes for the gospel in our day is accepted partly because the world has become so immoral in our pursuit of happiness that parents think messages against sexual misconduct are better for their children than messages of how Christ has put away the sin of his people. Fact is the reason we are so immoral and in need of common morality is because we've been so long without the unapologetic preaching of Christ and him crucified. We can never expect morality in the pew if we immorally prostitute the gospel of God's free grace in Christ Jesus from the pulpit. ~ Clay Curtis

“Bear ye one another’s burdens, and so fulfil the law of Christ.” Gal 6:2.

“We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves.” Rom 15:1.

To bear is to carry, take, hold, tolerate, or possess as our own. Burdens are worries, problems, responsibilities, obligations. Infirmities are weaknesses, sickness, disorders, diseases, sin.

If we truly bear one another’s burdens and infirmities, it will not be pleasant or pleasing to our flesh. But it will fulfil the law of Christ- bringing us in remembrance that He bore our sin in its entirety, under the wrath of God, in His body on the tree for us. This is why the yoke of Christ for the believer is light and easy. ~ Kevin Thacker

ANNOUNCEMENT

- Next Sunday is our Fellowship dinner and Lord willing we will come to the Lord’s Table following our meal.

SUBPAR CHRISTIANS

In listening to a message, I heard a preacher say there are a lot of “*subpar Christians*”.

I do not believe that for a moment. God’s Holy Word says “**we are complete in Him**” (Col. 2:9-10). His word also says, “**He hath perfected forever them that are sanctified**” (Heb 10:14).

Christ is “**made unto us wisdom, righteousness, sanctification and redemption**”.

Where is anything subpar about that? All God’s people are ONE IN CHRIST, whether Jew, Gentile, bond or free; Christ is all in all!

I know there are “*babes, young men, and fathers*” but the babe in Christ is a complete in Christ as the father in the faith. There are no degrees in any believers standing before God; all are “**made the righteousness of God in Christ**”, all are “**made new creatures in Christ**”.

Men make statements and try to present degrees, or different levels of Christianity, and of course, they are at the highest level. This is blasphemous, it dishonors Christ and His work of redemption! It makes men look to doing something to attain a higher level of Christianity, and they do that because neither they, nor the preacher know Christ or His gospel. There is no higher ground, no higher level, or anything else, other than Christ.

“*Subpar Christians*” is the creation of a wicked and depraved mind. “**Today thou shalt be with ME in paradise,**” is what our Lord said to the thief beside him. This man had just become a believer, had just seen Christ for who he IS... who didn’t have time to “*live right*”, “*to do a good work for Jesus*”. But he went into glory with Christ his Savior. Why? Because Christ made him complete and clothed him with His righteousness. ~Donnie Bell

“Jesus wept” at Lazarus’ tomb, not because he was weak, unbelieving, or discontent with divine providence, but because he was and is a real man touched with the feeling of our infirmities, moved by that which moves us. He wept with his weeping friends because he felt and shared their grief and sorrow.

~Don Fortner