

## I. JUSTICE SYSTEM OF GOD

### A. Laws Governing the Way God Deals with Man

1. God's original blueprint for man was to have fellowship with Him and rule and reign with Him. He created man in His image and likeness, to have dominion over the land, air and water. (Genesis 1:26)
2. Man had forfeited his rights when he believed the lies of the enemy and handed over his legal authority to him. We can see this truth in Luke 4:6.

*Luke 4:6 And he said to him, "I will give you all their authority and splendor; it has been given to me, and I can give it to anyone I want to. If you worship me, it will all be yours."*

3. This is why Jesus Christ left Heaven and came to Earth: to *righteously regain* what man handed over to Satan. Since it was legally lost, it must be legally regained. In His death and resurrection, Jesus triumphed over Satan, death, hell, and the grave.
4. Jesus came to destroy the works that the devil had done. (1 John 3:8) We could say it like this - Jesus came to undo what the devil had done. He came to "destroy him who had the power of death that is the devil." (Hebrews 2:14)

### B. How did Jesus destroy what the devil did?

1. The word devil in the Greek is "diabalo" and it means prone to slander and to accuse falsely. Jesus came to break off the accusations that was against us. The devil is a prosecutor and uses the law against us.

*Colossians 2:14 When you were dead in your sins and in the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive with Christ. He forgave us all our sins having canceled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross.*

*Colossians 2:14 TPT He canceled out every legal violation we had on our record and the old arrest warrant that stood to indict us.*

2. As you can see through the scriptures mentioned, everything God did was legal. It is equally important to realize that the laws that govern the spiritual realm are different than natural laws.
3. For example there are laws that govern the earth, such as the law of gravity which is always in operation and exists until you apply another law that overrides it. The higher law is the law of aerodynamics and lift. It doesn't cancel the law of gravity, but it does override it when a plane flies.
4. We can best define this by understanding that God set in motion a law for Adam and Eve to obey.

When they chose to disobey, the consequence was death. So therefore we needed rescuing so we could be delivered from the law of sin and death. Let's look at the laws that God set in motion that govern us as believers.

***Romans 8:2 Because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.***

5. The first law we will discuss is the law of the Spirit, which can be best explained in the next verse.

***Romans 8:3 For what the law was powerless to do because it was weakened by the flesh, God did by sending His own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh to be the sin offering. And He condemned sin in the flesh.***

6. God condemned sin in the flesh of Jesus, so we can be free from the sin nature - no longer held captive by it and free to serve the living God.
7. Romans 6:1, the Kenneth Wuest translation unveils this truth. *“How is it possible for us, such persons as we are, who have been separated from the sinful nature any longer live in its grip.”*
8. That means, legally we are innocent, because everything we were in Adam was nailed to the cross.

***Colossians 2:14 Wiping out the handwriting in ordinances which was against us: taken it out of the way, nailing it to the cross.***

9. We are no longer subject to the law of sin and death because Jesus paid the penalty of sins that were arrayed against us, Jesus paid for the original sin of Adam, which in Hosea 6:7 says that Adam transgressed the covenant and committed a crime.

**Romans 5:12 says that “sin entered the world through Adam and sin spread to all men because all were under the penalty of sin.”** Jesus took on His own body that penalty, so in essence we are free.

10. This is a law called “The Law of Double Jeopardy.” This Clause is in the Fifth Amendment in the US Constitution which prohibits anyone from being prosecuted twice for substantially the same crime. The relevant part of the Fifth Amendment states, "No person shall be subject for the same offense to be twice put in jeopardy of life or limb." Therefore the price has already been paid, so why do we continue to try to pay for our own sins, when they were all paid in the body of Jesus.

## II. THE WAYS OF GOD.

***Shall I hide from Abraham what I am about to do, since he will surely command his children and his household after him to keep the way of the LORD by doing righteousness and justice, so that the LORD may bring upon Abraham what He has spoken about him. Genesis 18:17***

1. The word justice is the Hebrew word “mispat” meaning an act of deciding a case, litigation, or sect of judgment.
2. We can see in the book of Daniel chapter 7 we get a picture of a court room in heaven, we can also see this picture in Isaiah where God tells His people to plead their case before the Lord.
3. When we understand that our Father is the judge of all, and He has set in motion everything legally. We can see how Abraham, knowing God’s way of Justice was able to approach Him to litigate before God and plead his case for the people of Sodom, saying shall not the judge of the whole earth do what is right.
4. *“He wanted us so much that He dealt with the sin and unrighteousness we inherited from first Adam. He dealt with it through the finished work of the cross. He declared His righteousness as a gift to us so that He could legitimately, with all integrity, describe His loving relationship to us.”*  
Rob Rufus.

### III. JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH

#### A. Justification Defined

1. If we look up the word justification in the dictionary, you will find that this word is a legal word meaning the act of justifying or vindication.
2. We can see that everything the Father God did was legal on our behalf.

***Romans 3:26 For the demonstration, I say, of His righteousness at the present time so that He would be just and the Justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.***

3. The word justified in the Greek means “render righteous, such as he ought to be.” When Jesus died on the cross, everything you were in your old man was crucified with Him, and you became the righteousness of God in Christ Jesus. You became a new man.

#### B. Absolute Righteousness

1. We should walk in newness of life, knowing that we have been forgiven and justified. We are not condemned, we are delivered.

***Luke 7:28-29 For I say unto you, among those that are born of a woman there is not a greater prophet than John the Baptist: but he that is least in the Kingdom of God is greater than he. When all the people and the tax collectors heard this, they acknowledged God’s justice, having been baptized with the baptism of John.***

2. In the understanding of the above scripture when read in context we can see that God’s purpose was to Justify man.

3. The Pharisees rejected God’s purpose and tried to establish a righteousness of their own.
4. We can only submit to the righteousness that God ascribes.

#### IV. WE HAVE AN ADVOCATE

*1 John 2:1 My little children, these things I write unto you, that you sin not. And if any man sin, we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous.*

1. What is an Advocate? The Bible definition says “One who pleads another’s cause, Legal assistance.
2. Jesus promised that He would send the Holy Spirit as a comforter, meaning the same word as a legal assistance.
3. Therefore since we have an advocate with the Father let us understand that we no longer have any voice accusing us before the Father because the blood of Jesus speaks on our behalf in the finished work of Christ.

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