Romans Lesson 6 (2018)

**RIGHTEOUSNESS THROUGH FAITH IN JESUS**

Romans 3:9-31

Key Verse: 3:22

**Open**

1. If you had a message of good news for someone, how would you deliver it?

**Discover**

1. Read verses 9-18. How are Jews and Gentiles alike? (9) What is our natural tendency toward God? (10-11) What is the result of turning away from God? (12-18)
2. Read verses 19-20. What does God’s law show us about ourselves? (19) What is the purpose of having God’s law? (20)
3. In verses 9-20, Paul uses both inclusive terms like “all”, “every”, and “whole” and exclusive terms like “no one” and “none”. Note how Paul uses these terms and summarize what they tell us about people.
4. Read 20-22. What new righteousness has been made known? (21) What is the source of righteousness? (22) What does the phrase “There is no difference” tell us about the gospel?
5. Read verses 23-24. How does a person obtain righteousness? What heritage do you share with every person who ever lived? (23) What justifies us in God’s sight? (24; Jn. 1:14, 16-17)
6. Read verses 25-26. What did God do to provide a means of justification and forgiveness for every person? How does providing Christ Jesus as a sacrifice demonstrate the justice of God?
7. Read verses 27-31. On what basis can a person brag about his or her righteousness? (27) What justifies a person in God’s sight? (28) How will Jews and Gentiles be judged by God? (29-30) How does the principle of justification by faith “upholding the law”? (31)

**Close**

1. What impact is God’s grace having on your life right now?