JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH

Definition of **Just:**
(1) Acting or being in conformity with what is morally upright or good: **RIGHTeous**.

Definition of **Justify:**
(1) **ABSOLVE** c: to judge, regard, or treat as righteous and worthy of salvation.

2 Cor: 5-21
21 For he hath made him to be sin for us, who knew no sin; that we might be made the righteousness of God in him.

**Point:**
It took the sacrifice of Jesus to remit our sins that the righteousness of God might be fulfilled in us.
Our sins brought us into condemnation and separated us from God as showed in the following verses.

Rom 3:23
23 For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;

Isa 59:2
2 But your iniquities have separated between you and your God, and your sins have hid his face from you, that he will not hear.

**Point:**
It took the blood of Jesus to wash away our wicked works so we could be reconciled to God as showed in:

Col 1:20-21
20 And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in earth, or things in heaven.
21 And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled.

**Point:**
The same man that was in condemnation of sin, can now be justified by the blood of Jesus as showed in:

Rom 5:9-11
9 Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.
10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.
11 And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

**Point:**
Just because Jesus shed his blood does not justify you. You need to have faith in his blood to receive justification.
Rom 3:24-26
24 Being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:
25 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;
26 To declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus.

Rom 5:1
1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

Point:
You can not access the blood of Jesus without faith, and you can not receive faith without you hear the word of faith preached as shown in the following verses.

Acts 13:38-39
38 Be it known therefore, men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins:
39 And by him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

Rom 10:8-10
8 But what saith it? The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, and in thy heart: that is, the word of faith, which we preach;
9 That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.
10 For with the heart man believeth unto righteousness; and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Rom 10:17
17 So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

Rom 1:16-17
16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.
17 For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith.

Point:
The way that you know a person has been justified, he will be living in the righteousness of God.

Rom 10:4
4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to every one that believeth.

Point:
For the just shall live by faith, (they are living by the word of faith).

When a person is justified by faith it will be evident in their life as shown in the following verses.
Isa 53:11
11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

Point:
It takes the knowledge of Jesus, (the word of God) to justify a man.

Phil 3:8-9
8 Yea doubtless, and I count all things but loss for the excellency of the knowledge of Christ Jesus my Lord: for whom I have suffered the loss of all things, and do count them but dung, that I may win Christ,
9 And be found in him, not having mine own righteousness, which is of the law, but that which is through the faith of Christ, the righteousness which is of God by faith:

Point:
Paul attained to the righteousness of God through the knowledge of Jesus, (the word of God).

Prov 9:10
10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.

Ps 111:10
10 The fear of the LORD is the beginning of wisdom: a good understanding have all they that do his commandments: his praise endureth for ever.

Point:
When the knowledge of God is working in your life you will be doing his commandments.

Gal 2:16-17
16 Knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law, but by the faith of Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Jesus Christ, that we might be justified by the faith of Christ, and not by the works of the law: for by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified.
17 But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is therefore Christ the minister of sin? God forbid.

Point:
If we think we can be justified by Jesus in our sins, that would make Jesus the minister of sin, and Paul said God forbid.

2 Pet 2:20-21
20 For if after they have escaped the pollutions of the world through the knowledge of the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, they are again entangled therein, and overcome, the latter end is worse with them than the beginning.
21 For it had been better for them not to have known the way of righteousness, than, after they have known it, to turn from the holy commandment delivered unto them.
Point:
It took the knowledge of Jesus to escape the pollutions of the world, (sin) when a person refuses to live the way of righteousness he is rejecting the holy commandment of God, (the knowledge of Jesus).

Isa 53:11
11 He shall see of the travail of his soul, and shall be satisfied: by his knowledge shall my righteous servant justify many; for he shall bear their iniquities.

Point:
When a person refuses to live in the knowledge of Jesus they are rejecting justification.

James 2:17-26
17 Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone.
18 Yea, a man may say, Thou hast faith, and I have works: shew me thy faith without thy works, and I will shew thee my faith by my works.
19 Thou believest that there is one God; thou doest well: the devils also believe, and tremble.
20 But wilt thou know, O vain man, that faith without works is dead?
21 Was not Abraham our father justified by works, when he had offered Isaac his son upon the altar?
22 Seest thou how faith wrought with his works, and by works was faith made perfect?
23 And the scripture was fulfilled which saith, Abraham believed God, and it was imputed unto him for righteousness: and he was called the Friend of God.
24 Ye see then how that by works a man is justified, and not by faith only.
25 Likewise also was not Rahab the harlot justified by works, when she had received the messengers, and had sent them out another way?
26 For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also.