

Romans#28

“Treat me with justice, or love?”

Romans 2:4-5

God loves His righteousness so much, that He cannot have relationship with anyone who falls short of His perfect righteousness.

Our instant adjustment to the justice of God allows Him to give us His very own righteousness as a free gift.

Remember God’s attribute love #1 (not His anthropathism love #2) is directed toward His righteousness and when we adjust to the justice of God and receive His righteousness, we share in the eternal plan of God and the destiny of Christ.

We entered God’s plan through justice and not love.

We weren’t regenerated because God loved us; we were regenerated because the justice of God demanded it in the relationship.

God’s clemency is directed toward the human race for the continuation of history and the fact that many people reject Christ as Savior does not diminish or destroy the opportunity of others.

Makrothumia means to use every possible bit of ingenuity, scheme, plan and tactic that will defeat the enemy, so this helps us to understand the anthropathism that transfers to God a desperate patience to hold off on judging us.

In His permissive will, God intends to save everyone, but it doesn’t always work that way because people have free will and they can say no and reject possessing His righteousness with which He loves us with a perfect love.

God, by not lowering the boom on us when we’re disobedient and sinful, not only gives us time to see how bad we can be to experience the negative consequences of our bad decisions, but also He is drawing us through His kindness and goodness to turn back to Him.

Repentance in the Scripture basically means to have an inward change of mind or change of thinking toward something.

Sometimes it’s mentioned it’s toward God, sometimes toward Christ as Messiah and sometimes toward sin, but nowhere in the Bible are we to change our mind about sin in order to be saved.