

Romans #045

“God is true to Himself and His character.”

“Faith is to believe what we do not see and the reward of faith is to see what we believe.”

Augustine

*Romans 3:3-4*

*Isaiah 55:8-9*

*Lamentations 3:20-25*

Sin is coming short of the glory of God for which we were created and the world stands guilty before Him, unable to gain His acceptance through human works.

Love is a divine attribute; God is love and always has been love, therefore,

He doesn't fall in love and His love doesn't increase or decrease.

In time of testing, a believer who malfunctions often remarks,

“How can a loving God do this to me?”

While love is an anthropopathism to explain divine policy, it is not the source of blessing or testing from God.

*God loves us because we possess His righteousness and the justice of God is our point of reference.*

Neither man's self-righteousness, sinfulness, good deeds nor morality can influence the integrity of God.

God doesn't need our help; we need His help and therefore, humility is so necessary in time of testing.

Divine justice can *only* bless perfect righteousness.

It also includes the provision of biblical teaching from your pastor; privacy and security necessary to maintain a positive attitude, the Royal Family Honor Code and the discernment to see distractions and set them aside.

Because He loves us, our point of reference with Him is still His justice after salvation.

We are comforted from 3 categories of God's knowledge: His self-knowledge, His foreknowledge and His omniscience.

God may be Self-limited, such as our Lord was during the incarnation, but this is for the sake of a grace policy which benefits man to the maximum.

Death is a matter of the sovereignty

of God and He can and often does prolong the life of the believer,

*Psalm 102:19-20, 23-24; Psalm 118; Proverbs 14:27.*

Freedom without authority is anarchy, authority without freedom is tyranny.

In the Church Age, the Jew has no racial superiority, so he must become part of the new spiritual species - a member of the body of Christ. *Galatians 3:26*

The fact that the Jewish people have rejected the Gospel doesn't mean that God's faithfulness to them has been in vain and we are reminded that God will be justified in all His actions, so even our unrighteousness will demonstrate, not deny, His righteousness and glory!

The Jewish unbel produces this action by rejecting Christ as Savior and this negates the advantage of being a Jew.

“Shall their lack of faith [rejection of Jesus Christ] cancel the integrity of God? No.”

The failure of certain members of the human race to respond to the Gospel and believe in Jesus Christ,

*NEVER* cancels the integrity of God.

We do not relate to God on the basis of emotion, however when we truly know Him, we respond to Him with well-placed emotion.

God is faithful to his own promises, even if every man is false and privilege only increases responsibility

in God's sight.

There would be NO: salvation, recovery, filling of the Holy Spirit or spiritual maturity without the integrity of God!