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Where God's Character is Proclaimed

What is Righteousness by Faith?

“Having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ” (**Rom. 5:1**).

Righteousness by Faith is a subject that has captivated and absorbed the attention of scholars and lay persons throughout the history of the Christian church. And for good reason – it is the doctrine of how God saves us.

That said, it should be a simple subject. It is however, often made unnecessarily complicated and mysterious. While it is true that there is a depth to the subject that we will be studying and seeking to understand throughout the eternal ages, there is also a simplicity that we can grasp now. So let's begin.

What is “righteousness?” We can start by considering that the

root word for righteousness is “right.”

Righteousness is a theological word for being right, not according to man's idea, but to God's idea. The Bible words “justify,” “justified,” “justification” and “righteous” are all derived from the Greek word for

righteousness, dikaosune (dee-kie-o-soo'-nay). Dikaosune refers to being morally upright in character, both in thought and action – to being morally “good.”

Righteousness is defined by the moral law, the Ten Commandments. David wrote “all Your commandments are righteousness” (**Ps. 119:172**). God spoke through the prophet Isaiah, saying “Listen to Me, you who know righteousness, you people in whose heart is My law” (**Is. 51:7**). This is why Moses told the Israelites “Then it will be righteousness for us, if we are careful to observe all these commandments before the LORD our God, as He has commanded us” (**Dt. 6:25**).



**Pastor
Mark Howard**

*So faith comes from hearing,
and hearing by the*

Word of God

Romans 10:17



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David Bolduc

President's Perspective "Righteousness by Faith"

Jesus said the harvest is great but the laborers are few.

I can't count how many times our Board, staff, and volunteers here at Strong Tower Radio have encountered persons who say they have been blessed by listening to this station. Recently, I was at the local Home Depot picking up something. I was wearing my Strong Tower Radio (STR) shirt, and the clerk saw it. She said she enjoyed our station because she was tired of hearing commercials about gambling on the radio! For there to be a harvest, someone has to plant the seeds. Many times Jesus spoke about the kingdom of Heaven; it's as simple as hearing and doing.

Recently, I needed to upgrade how we send our signals over the Internet due to losing our Internet feed when there is an outage in our neighborhood. We have had a fiber optic line installed, so that we do not lose the Internet at those times. There are so many Network connections in master control that I needed to use a different color wire. After looking around the building for other color options, I decided to go to a local store to get a different color of cable. On the way, I felt impressed to stop and call the store before driving across town, so I obeyed and made the call. Sure enough, they did NOT have the needed cable. I called another store with the same result. I turned around and went back to the station. I looked around the building, again, and then spotted a roll of RED network cable that I had not seen before!

Looking back at that experience, I think how many times the Lord has tried to speak to us with those still small voice impressions. I'm so glad He never gets tired of talking to us!! To be in the kingdom of Heaven, we need to be good citizens who hear and do what our loving Savior asks of us, even in the little things. Is He talking to you about supporting a seed sowing ministry? Don't delay, follow His lead, you won't be sorry.





Readers!

We need voices! Your voices to be recorded while reading public service announcement scripts (30-60 seconds). Come visit us, tour the station, then read and be recorded in our studio.
(Like the persons on the left and right).



If interested, please call Tom at **616-550-3555** to schedule a time.

Listeners and Supporters are saying...

I just love your STR programming... I also really enjoy Bill Pearce's "Night Sounds". Just love when he sings, plays his trombone and plays music "Christian Style" and reads poetry. So many programs on your station that are won-der-ful!
Jim, Grayling

Your programming is a blessing to many people throughout the state of MI.
Betty, Mogadore, OH

In the love of Jesus, God bless!
Johanna, Rowlett, TX

It is a privilege to support God's work to reach the lost and perishing in these last days before Christ's soon return. All praises be to God, Amen!
Sandra, Gladwin

104.7 Keep up the good work. Thank you for good programming.
Lyle & Karen, Bath

God is good to us, and He cares for us. God bless all the staff at STR. We pray that God will guide and protect them wherever they go to preach the gospel throughout the world. Thank you so much that every month I receive the newsletter to read about the people who turn their hearts over to our loving Savior.
Dan & Helen, Luther

104.7 God bless you all!
Bernice, Lansing




In
EVERYTHING
give thanks.

Be the Catalyst to Change Lives

As another impactful year of prophetic fulfillment draws to a close, you may have investments for which you believe profitable gains will result from selling this year. If your heart desires to increase the impact of those gains, consider donating one or more appreciated securities to Strong Tower Radio to help change lives with the everlasting gospel!

By donating appreciated investments to STR, tax law enables you to put all the funds to work for Jesus and thereby have a more significant impact! As Jesus wants to be our investment consultant, ask Him how to use those appreciated assets best.

If led to donate to STR, you may quickly and securely do this through our website, StrongTowerRadio.org, and click on the gold button  in the upper right

corner of the home page. You will be guided through a simple, efficient step-by-step process using agent CoCatalyst to donate your stock to STR!

All donations to Strong Tower Radio, a 501c-3 nonprofit entity, are fully tax-deductible to the extent of the law as applied to your financial situation. We praise God for blessing you with this abundance, and for how He will lead your stewardship of these investments and the everlasting gospel!

Thank you for your faithful support!

Giving Thanks Gifts

- ◆ Replace the aviation lights on TV tower - \$12,000.
- ◆ Lansing Digital AM transmitter - \$30,000.

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Please make electronic payments using our secure website, StrongTowerRadio.org or by calling **231-468-2087**.

You may also donate by check or money order

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What is Righteousness... (Continued from page 1)

Moral goodness is the requirement of heaven. The Bible is clear that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God (**1 Cor. 6:9**). The apostle Peter said we look forward to “new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells” (**2 Pet. 3:13**).



Now, how many people would you suppose are righteous? When speaking of the entirety of the human race, the apostle tells us “There is none righteous, no, not one;... there is none who does good, no, not one” (**Rom. 3:10**). Furthermore, the Bible says that “all unrighteousness is sin” (**1 Jn. 5:17**), and that “all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God” (**Rom. 3:23**). Sadly, this means that no human being inherently possesses righteousness. When the rich young ruler addressed Jesus as “Good Teacher,” Jesus responded by saying “Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God” (**Mk. 10:17-18**). In essence, Jesus said, God alone is righteous.

To review, righteousness is moral goodness, and God is the only One who has it. Yet it is required of all who would enter heaven. Where does that leave us? Not in a good place, I’m afraid. We need righteousness, but we don’t have it; we can’t buy it, earn it, or produce it and without it, we are eternally lost. Is there any place we can get righteousness? Indeed, there is!

The Bible says God the Father “made Him who knew no sin [Jesus Christ] to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him [Jesus Christ]” (**2 Cor. 5:21**). “But now the righteousness of God apart from the law is revealed, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets, even the righteousness of God, through faith in Jesus Christ, to all and on all who believe. For there is no difference; for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus...” (**Rom. 3:21-24**).

Ellen White, in the ‘Youth’s Instructor’ of January 1, 1874, wrote “Christ came as the sinner’s substitute to bear the guilt Himself, which justly belonged to man. Through the perfection of his character He was accepted of the Father as a Mediator for sinful man. He only could save man by imputing to him His righteousness.”



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The Bible, using the example of Abraham, tells us that the righteousness of Christ is accounted to us by faith in Him. "And he believed in the LORD, and He accounted it to him for righteousness" (**Gen. 15:6**). The good news of the gospel is that Jesus Christ, God incarnate, took upon His sinless nature, our sinful nature, and lived a perfectly righteous life in His humanity. He took the penalty for our unrighteousness when He died on the cross. He rose from the grave, victorious over sin and death, and ascended as our High Priest, imputing His righteousness to all who will receive Him by faith, trusting His promises to save us. By believing the precious promises of God, you, dear reader, can have the righteousness of Christ today!

The Beehive



Strong Tower Radio has been exceptionally busy the last quarter of this year. October rang with Protestant Reformation education programming that we chose from our vault of audio recordings to play for you. We have more reformation programs than we even aired this year! November's theme is "Righteousness by Faith" and, of course, "Thankfulness!".

Additionally, we enjoyed two STR Variety Hour listener events at Cheboygan and Berrien Springs, Michigan. Finally, we have an Advisory Committee meeting, the Advisory Committee is a group of dedicated laypeople and pastors committed to helping us continue to improve the outreach of the Strong Tower Radio ministry.

Two special programs came our way that we passed on to you! "Mandates and Religious Liberty" with Pastor Ron Kelly and attorney Jonathan Zirkle, and "The Inspired Exhibit." Ironically, so much local programming has presented itself to us; we are looking at new timeslots to air these new programs!

Strong Tower Radio is usually a "beehive of activity" but even more so during the last quarter of this year. So please join and continue to support us with your prayers and financial love gifts as we proclaim God's character!



The Call of the Mighty 300



Kam Ferguson

Gideon's army of the mighty 300 burst upon the pre-dawn scene, shattering their clay jar torch covers, energetically blowing their trumpets, and shouting, "the sword of the Lord and of Gideon!" By itself, it would be amusing to watch. Over one hundred thirty-five thousand men camped in a valley see 300 torches with shouting men on the ridges above the camp in the early morning hours. Anyone for a prebreakfast skirmish to mop up these Israelite gnats?



But they were not alone. God was with the mighty 300 and added gut-felt terror to their lighted trumpet shout! The great army sleeping in the valley were multiple nations allied together, not a singular trained army, and in their terror, they began killing each other while the mighty 300 watched from above.

Those not slain in the initial fighting soon fled the way they had entered, and the mighty 300 pursued them vigorously. They sent messengers to those who had been sent home previously, urging them to help pursue and destroy the fleeing enemy soldiers. From the other tribes they came, and a great victory was gained that day because Israel took decisive action to obey God's call.

Just as the mighty 300 called for their brethren to help complete the victory, Strong Tower Radio calls for a mighty 300 to help us broadcast God's victory and His 3 Angel's message to the world. Those giving \$200/month or more call for their brethren to help with \$100, \$50, \$25 or whatever amount the Holy Spirit directs you to give monthly. Praise God for all who are giving now, the riches you are storing up in heaven abound! Together, by the power of the Holy Spirit, we can pursue the everlasting gospel victory and conquer Satan and his host.

May He guide your response today!





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STR Engagements:

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| 10/30 | 11:00 a.m. | Kam Ferguson | Delton Seventh-day Adventist Church |
| 11/6 | 11:30 a.m. | Kam Ferguson | Onaway Seventh-day Adventist Church |
| 11/13 | 9:15 a.m. | David Bolduc | Marion Seventh-day Adventist Church |
| 11/13 | 9:30 a.m. | Kam Ferguson | Wright Seventh-day Adventist Church |
| 11/25 | | Happy | Thanksgiving! |

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