

## BAD NEWS ... GOOD NEWS – ROMANS 3

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**INTRODUCTION:** This chapter is a bridge between section one (SIN) and section 2 (SALVATION). It is the “seed bed” for the rest of the book.

- Verses 1-4 deal with Israel's \_\_\_\_\_ (chapters 9-11)  
Verse 8 mentions the question of living in \_\_\_\_\_ (chapters 6-8)  
Verse 21 brings up the topic of \_\_\_\_\_ by faith (chapters 4-5)  
Verse 31 mentions establishing and obeying the \_\_\_\_\_ (chapters 12-16)

### I: THE BAD NEWS . . . CONDEMNATION UNDER SIN (1-20)

1. Is there any \_\_\_\_\_ in being a Jew if Jews are \_\_\_\_\_? (1-2)
2. Has Israel's unbelief \_\_\_\_\_ God's Word? (4-5)
3. Why not sin and \_\_\_\_\_ God the more? (5-8)
4. Is the Jew \_\_\_\_\_ than the \_\_\_\_\_ (9-18)

### II: THE GOOD NEWS . . . JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH (21-31)

1. Apart from the \_\_\_\_\_ (21). Read Romans 9:30-33 and see why Israel missed this faith-righteousness.
2. Available through \_\_\_\_\_ (22-26)

**Justified** = declared \_\_\_\_\_ in God's eyes through the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ. “Just as if I'd never \_\_\_\_\_.”

**Redemption** = deliverance from sin and its \_\_\_\_\_ by the paying of a price. This price was Christ's \_\_\_\_\_!

**Propitiation** = God's justice has been \_\_\_\_\_. God's holy law was \_\_\_\_\_, thus making it possible for Him to \_\_\_\_\_ lost \_\_\_\_\_. He may now look with \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ upon a \_\_\_\_\_ world.

3. Accepted by faith (27-31) - “Hear the conclusion of the whole matter?” (28)
  - a) The Jew has nothing to boast of ..... all men are \_\_\_\_\_ BY FAITH and not by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b) If justification is by the \_\_\_\_\_, then He is a God of the Jews \_\_\_\_\_, because only Israel had the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - c) Both Jews and Gentiles are \_\_\_\_\_ the same way .... BY FAITH.

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- d) This simple means of salvation does not \_\_\_\_\_ the law, for the law demanded the death of \_\_\_\_\_ .... CHRIST DIED FOR OUR SINS!
- e) God's law reveals my need of \_\_\_\_\_, and God's grace enables me to \_\_\_\_\_ the law.

**CONCLUSION:** I Peter 2:10 (Living Bible) - *"Once you were next to nothing, now you are God's own."*

"Marvelous grace of our loving Lord, grace that exceeds our sin and our guilt,  
Yonder on Calvary's mount outpoured, there where the blood of the Lamb was spilt.

"Sin and despair like the sea-waves cold, Threaten the soul with infinite loss;  
Grace that is greater, yes, grace untold, points to the Refuge, the mighty Cross.

"Dark is the stain that we cannot hide, what can avail to wash it away?  
Look, there is flowing a crimson tide; whiter than snow you may be today.

"Marvelous, infinite, matchless grace, freely bestowed on all who believe;  
You that are longing to see His face, will you this moment His grace receive?

CHORUS:

"Grace, grace, God's grace, Grace that will pardon and cleanse within;  
Grace, grace, God's grace, grace that is greater than all our sin."

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