

Declared Righteous

ROMANS 3:23-24

23. For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God;
24. Being [justified] freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:

GREEK LEXICON - STRONG'S NUMBER 1344

dikaioo {dik-ah-yo'-o}

- 1) to render righteous or such he ought to be
2) to show, exhibit, evince, one to be righteous, such as he is and wishes himself to be considered
3) to declare, pronounce, one to be just, righteous, or such as he ought to be

LUKE 16:15

15. And he said unto them, Ye are they which justify yourselves before men; but God knoweth your hearts: for that which is highly esteemed among men is abomination in the sight of God.

I CORINTHIANS 15:31b ...I die daily.

ROMANS 6:7 For he that is dead is [freed] from sin.

ACTS 13:38-39

38. Be it known unto you 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.

GREEK LEXICON - STRONG'S NUMBER 859

aphesis {af'-es-is}

- 1) release from bondage or imprisonment
2) forgiveness or pardon, of sins (letting them go as if they had never been committed), remission of the penalty

GALATIANS 2:16

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].

GALATIANS 3:11

11. But that no man is [justified] by the law in the sight of God, it is evident: for, The just shall live by faith.

GALATIANS 5:4

4. *Christ is become of no effect unto you, whosoever of you are [justified] by the law; ye are fallen from grace.*

TITUS 3:7

That being [justified] by his grace, we should be made heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

ROMANS 8:1

1. *There is therefore now no condemnation to them which are in Christ Jesus, who walk not after the flesh, but after the Spirit.*

THE KEY TO THE DOOR [62-1007]

...I got a little criticism here not long ago on baptizing a man...

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He said, "Brother Branham, I would become a Christian when I can get good enough."

I said, "Tell you what you do, Papa. You look around till you find where you can get good enough, then tell me where that place is, I want to go, too." I said, "Christ never come to save good man. He come to save bad man." When you think you're good, then He didn't come to save you. He come to save them that He knows are bad. See? Christ died to save sinners.

BROKEN CISTERNS [64-0726E]

And he said, "But I'm no good."

I said, "I know you're not." And I said, "I'm not, either." But I said, "You're looking at what you are. And quit looking at what you are, and look what He is."

THE KEY TO THE DOOR [62-1007]

There's nothing you can do. He offers it to you. You can't merit it. Nothing you can do to get it. He just gives it to you. Will you accept what He did for you, to keep you from hell?"

He said, "I'll do that." He said, "But if I could just get rid of these cigarettes."

I said, "The cigarettes will take care of theirselves. You just... I ain't asking you. I'm not a legalist. I believe in grace. 'And all the Father has given Me will come to Me.'" I said, "If you believe that with all your heart!"

He said, "With all my heart, I believe it."

"Then will you accept it on those basis, that you're not worthy of it, but He's the One that's worthy. **Don't look at yourself; look at Him**, 'cause you can't do nothing for yourself. **Look at the One that did something for you**. What about Him?"

"Oh," he said, "He's worthy."

I said, "That's it, then accept what He gives you."

He said, "I do."

THE KEY TO THE DOOR [62-1007] ...now he can't even stand for one to be around him. **Put first things first! Don't try to get good; you're bad, to begin with**, and nothing you can do. There's a separating line, and all human beings is on that side.

I CORINTHIANS 6:9-11

9. *Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God? Be not deceived: neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves with mankind,* 10. *Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners, shall inherit the kingdom of God.* 11. **And such were some of you: but ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are [justified]** in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

ROMANS 8:30-33

30. *Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also [justified]: and whom he [justified], them he also glorified.*
31. *What shall we then say to these things? If God be for us, who can be against us?*
32. *He that spared not his own Son, but delivered him up for us all, how shall he not with him also freely give us all things?*
33. *Who shall lay any thing to the charge of God's elect? It is God that [justifieth] .*

ROMANS 8:33 [Lamsa translation]

33. *Who is to complain against the chosen ones of God? It is God who justifies.*

CHURCH AGE BOOK

Consider this. Since it is the blood of God, it is perfect blood; and if the perfect blood is loosing us from the power and bondage and defilement of sin, then **the loosing is perfect and complete. There is now therefore no condemnation.**

*"Who shall lay anything to the charge of God's elect? It is God that justifieth (**declares us righteous**). Who is he that condemneth? It is Christ that died..."* Romans 8:33-34.

There it is, His death gave us the blood. The blood has loosed us. There is now no condemnation. **How can there be? There is nothing to be condemned for, because the blood has loosed us from sin. We are free, guiltless.** Don't listen to man, listen to the Word. You are loosed by the blood.