

JUSTICE IS SATISFIED BY CHANGING THE BELIEVER, AND NOT BY CHANGING GOD

God is able to demonstrate His righteousness and His justice toward believers in Christ. God makes believers into new creations crediting them with perfect righteousness because they are being clothed in acts of righteousness produced by the Spirit. The sinless death of Jesus Christ makes way for the setting right of justice and righteousness for any person in the whole world who believes in Christ.

Romans 3:24-26 Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus, whom God set forth as a propitiation (place of mercy through His sinless death) by His blood, through faith to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed, to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. The condition upon man is faith in Jesus.

Justice is satisfied by making the believer a new creation and there is no condemnation. Romans 8:1-4

The believer will be increasingly characterized by ability and willingness to overcome evil in imitation of the life of Christ.

Ephesians 5:1,2 Follow God's example, therefore, as dearly loved children and walk in the way of love, just as Christ loved us and gave Himself for us as a fragrant offering and sacrifice to God.

Evidence that God has saved a person is participation of that person in Holy Spirit led ongoing sin removal and Holy Spirit led ongoing acts of righteousness. A life reflecting fruits of the Spirit and gifts of the Spirit are evidence of true salvation.

Justice is satisfied by God changing the believer. The believer is declared righteous and eventually made righteous and is therefore moved out from under the wrath of God. John 3:36 Having eternal life requires righteousness.

God does not change. God does not need appeasement of His wrath. God does not need to punish in order to satisfy justice. God does not need anything. God does not need anything to be loving, gracious, merciful, and forgiving. God simply demonstrates these attributes upon people.

