THE CROSS VINDICATES GOD IN HIS HATRED TOWARD SIN

Romans 3:26 The Cross of Jesus declares God's righteousness: that He might be just, and the justifier of any person who believes in Jesus.

The Cross of Jesus declares God just in taking away the sin of the world. The wrath of the Lamb and the wrath of God the Father toward sin has been justified because sin killed the sinless Son of God. Sin is condemned and will be exterminated from all creation before the new heavens and new earth appear where God dwells with man forever. John 1:29 Romans 8:3 Revelation 5:8-14; 6:16,17; 21:1-8

The Cross of Jesus is God's mercy seat for extending grace to those who believe and receive Jesus, and the Cross is God's mercy seat for His forbearance in holding back His wrath toward sin concerning sins that are past. Romans 3:25 Propitiation means mercy seat. Through faith in God's promise of the redeemer, cooperating persons with the Holy Spirit are saved from their sins.

Romans 3:24 Being justified freely by His grace means that God freely takes away the sin of the redeemed making them fit for the Kingdom of God. God has no conditions <u>placed upon</u>

<u>Him</u> for taking away our sin. God does not hold against us our sins committed against Him, and God completes His work in the believer by taking away sin and producing righteous acts.

2 Corinthians 5:19 Philippians 1:6

The only condition upon man for receiving redemption is to cooperate with the Holy Spirit in being convicted of sin and believe in Jesus for sin removal and righteousness given. John 1:12

Romans 5:11 We also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received reconciliation with God.

Romans 5:10b Being reconciled we shall be saved by His life.

Romans 5:1 Being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Romans 5:9 Being justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him.