

Romans Series

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The Epistle to the ROMANS



Righteousness

The *standard* of God's own character. God is righteous.

Justice

The *application* of God's standard to His creatures.

Love

The expression of God's integrity to His creatures.

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δικαίωω *dikaioō*

**aor pass indic 3 sing to pronounce
righteous, justify**

Isaiah 64:6,

**“For all of us have become like one who is unclean,
and all our righteous deeds are like a filthy garment;”**

צְדָקָה (*ṣ^edāqâ*) *justice, righteousness.*

Genesis 15:1, “After these things the word of the LORD came to Abram in a vision, saying, ‘Do not be afraid, Abram. I am your shield, your exceedingly great reward.’ ”

Genesis 15:2, “But Abram said, ‘Lord God, what will You give me, seeing I go childless, and the heir of my house is Eliezer of Damascus?’ ”

Genesis 15:3, “Then Abram said, ‘Look, You have given me no offspring; indeed one born in my house is my heir!’ ”

Genesis 15:4, “And behold, the word of the Lord came to him, saying, ‘This one shall not be your heir, but one who will come from your own body shall be your heir.’

Genesis 15:5, “Then He brought him outside and said, ‘Look now toward heaven, and count the stars if you are able to number them.’ And He said to him, ‘So shall your descendants be.’ ”

Genesis 15:6, “And he believed in the Lord, and He accounted it to him for righteousness.”

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Genesis 15:6, “And because he put his trust in the Lord, He reckoned it to his merit.” *Tanakh*

Genesis 15:6, “And he believed in the Lord; and He counted it to him for righteousness.” *JPS 1917*

הֵאֱמִין *he'emin*

hif perf 3 masc sing

to trust

“Recognition of Abram’s faith at this point in the story, however, should not be taken as the initiation of his faith. Abram had already responded earlier to the call and promise of God’s word (12:1–3). Just as the covenant ritual of chap. 15 does not initiate God’s commitment but formally ratifies it, so the narration’s affirmation of Abram’s faith in v. 6 declares the faith Abram had exercised from the outset.”

~John Sailhammer, *Genesis*

**2 Kings 18:16, “At that time Hezekiah cut off the gold from the doors of the temple of the Lord, and from the doorposts which Hezekiah king of Judah had overlaid, and gave it to the king of Assyria.”
[the foundational support of the pillars]**

Hebrews 11:1, “Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”

Ex. 4:30, “And Aaron spoke all the words which the LORD had spoken to Moses. Then he did the signs in the sight of the people.

Ex. 4:31, “So the people believed; and when they heard that the LORD had visited the children of Israel and that He had looked on their affliction, then they bowed their heads and worshiped.”

Ex. 14:30, “So the LORD saved Israel that day out of the hand of the Egyptians, and Israel saw the Egyptians dead on the seashore.

Ex. 14:31, “Thus Israel saw the great work which the LORD had done in Egypt; so the people feared the LORD, and believed the LORD and His servant Moses.”

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חשב chshv Verb qal
wawConsec 3 masc sing
וַיַּחְשְׁבָהּ
ve cheshbeha
to think, account
w/ 3 fem sg suffix