Message #1

God's Judicial Redemption

I. Its Necessity

A. God's purpose

Genesis 1:26a

And God said, Let Us make man in Our image, according to Our likeness and let them have dominion...

Isaiah 54:5a

For your Maker is your Husband...

B. Man's fall

Genesis 3:24

So He drove the man out, and at the east of the garden of Eden He placed the cherubim and a flaming sword which turned in every direction to guard the way to the tree of life.

C. Our helpless and hopeless condition

Romans 3:10

Even as it is written, "There is none righteous, not even one;

Romans 1:32a

...fully knowing the righteous judgment of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death...

- 1. Holding down the truth in unrighteousness (Rom. 1:18)
- 2. Not glorifying God or thanking Him (Rom. 1:21)
- 3. Exchanging the truth of God for the lie (Rom. 1:25)
- 4. Not approving of holding God in full knowledge (Rom. 1:28)
- 5. Therefore God gave them up to uncleanness; God gave them up to passions of dishonor; God gave them up to a disapproved mind. (Rom. 1:25, 26, 28)

II. Its Qualifying and Positioning

Romans 3:24

Being justified freely by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;

Romans 5:10

For if we, being enemies, were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more we will be saved in His life, having been reconciled,

III. Its Practical Application

Romans 3:22

Even the righteousness of God through the faith of Jesus Christ to all those who believe, for there is no distinction;

Romans 3:25a

Whom God set forth as a propitiation place through faith in His blood...

Romans 10:17

So faith *comes* out of hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

1 Timothy 1:19

Holding faith and a good conscience, *concerning* which some, thrusting *these* away, have become shipwrecked regarding the faith;

1 Timothy 3:9

Holding the mystery of the faith in a pure conscience.

1 John 1:9

If we confess our sins, He is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Acts 24:16

Because of this I also exercise myself to always have a conscience without offense toward God and men.

IV. "...But the Righteous Shall Have Life and Live by Faith" (Rom. 1:17)

Romans 1:16-17

- 16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone who believes, both to Jew first and to Greek.
- 17 For the righteousness of God is revealed in it out of faith to faith, as it is written, "But the righteous shall have life and live by faith."