## <u>Complete in Grace</u> <u>Wednesday September 25, 2024</u> <u>Dr. Pete Norris</u>

Therefore by the deeds of the law there shall no flesh be justified in his sight: for by the law is the knowledge of sin. But now the righteousness of God without the law is manifested, being witnessed by the law and the prophets; even the righteousness of God which is by faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all them that believe: for there is no difference: **Romans 3:20-22 KJV** 

I realize and submit to that. Submit to what I realized. The church is trying to get something that He has already given them. Came to share something you have been given that you didn't realize.

For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God; being justified freely by his grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus: whom God hath set forth to be a propitiation through faith in his blood, to declare his righteousness for the remission of sins that are past, through the forbearance of God; to declare, I say, at this time his righteousness: that he might be just, and the justifier of him which believeth in Jesus. **Romans 3:23-26 KJV** 

Is there a conflict, then, between God's law and God's promises? Absolutely not! If the law could give us new life, we could be made right with God by obeying it. But the Scriptures declare that we are all prisoners of sin, so we receive God's promise of freedom only by believing in Jesus Christ. **Galatians 3:21-22 NLT** 

For no one can ever be made right with God by doing what the law commands. The law simply shows us how sinful we are. But now God has shown us a way to be made right with him without keeping the requirements of the law, as was promised in the writings of Moses and the prophets long ago. We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are. **Romans 3:20-22 NLT** 

We are now talking a completely different language: the gospel unveils what god did right not what we did wrong! Both the law and all the prophetic writings pointed to this moment! Romans 3:21 Mirror Study Bible

Jesus is what God believes about you! In Him the righteousness of God is on display in such a way that everyone may be equally persuaded about what God believes about them, regardless of who they are; **Romans 3:22 Mirror Study Bible** 

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the **Son of God**, who loved me and gave Himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died in vain. **Galatians** 2:20-21 NKJV

And declared to be the **Son of God** with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead. **Romans 1:4 NKJV** 

For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of **His resurrection**, **Romans 6:5 NKJV** 

In this new life, it doesn't matter if you are a Jew or a Gentile, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbaric, uncivilized, slave, or free. Christ is all that matters, and he lives in all of us." **Colossians 3:11 NLT** 

And all who have been united with Christ in baptism have put on Christ, like putting on new clothes. There is no longer Jew or Gentile, slave or free, male and female. For you are all one in Christ Jesus. And now that you belong to Christ, you are the true children of Abraham. You are his heirs, and God's promise to Abraham belongs to you. **Galatians 3:27-29 NLT** 

Knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. For he who has died has been freed from sin. Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. **Romans 6:6-9 NKJV** 

And the church is his body; it is made full and complete by Christ, who fills all things everywhere with himself. **Ephesians 1:23 NLT** 

For in Christ lives all the fullness of God in a human body. So you also are complete through your union with Christ, who is the head over every ruler and authority. When you came to Christ, you were "circumcised," but not by a physical procedure. Christ performed a spiritual circumcision—the cutting away of your sinful nature. **Colossians 2:9-11 NLT**