

FOLLOWING THE MESSAGE

- 1) *5:18* Just as condemnation spread to all, so is the pardon offered to all.
- 2) *5:18* Justification is more than the opposite of condemnation, more than the setting aside of a hostile verdict, more than the gift of God's righteousness. Justification is not merely release from a sentence of death; it is the abundant life of the eternal age to come.
- 3) *5:19* By the very nature of the definition, one cannot disobey unless it has been made very clear what obeying looks like.
- 4) *5:19* When a person becomes a Christ follower, they not only are declared righteous but also are actually made righteous; that is, given an inward righteousness that will bear fruit.
- 5) *5:19* If a person's life is characterized by sin and shows no fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22–23), that person has no legitimate claim on Christ. The person who is made righteous by Christ will live righteously.
- 6) *5:20* The function of the Law is to produce the knowledge and the conviction of sin (Romans 3:19-20, 7:7; Galatians 3:19).
- 7) *5:20* Paul was not minimizing the seriousness of sin, rather he was stressing the victory of grace.
- 8) *5:21* On our own, we cannot break free from sin, so sin reigns. We cannot escape death, so death reigns.
- 9) *5:21* God lavishes His grace upon us beyond all measure. His grace exceeds immeasurably the extent of human sin.

GREEK WORDS

- 5:19* Parakoē (par-ak-o-ay)—inattention, (by implication) disobedience
5:15 Paraptōma (par-ap'-to-mah)—a side-slip (lapse or deviation) :- fall, fault, offence, sin, trespass; transgression—basic meaning of deviating from a path, or departing from the pattern
5:19 Kathistēmi (kath-is'-tay-mee)—to place down (permanently), to designate, constitute

TODAY'S SONGS

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