

ROMANS 3:21-31
THE TURNING POINT

Putting Life Together In a Pull-Apart World #9

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1. God turned away from wrath against us by sacrificing Christ in our place (Romans 3:21, 23-25).

2. A Dictionary of Salvation

- a. 3:21. **Righteousness**--upright standing in God's sight.
- b. 3:24. **Justified** Ba legal description of our status. A JUST-AS-IF-I'D never sinned.@
- c. **Grace**-- God's Riches At Christ's Expense
- d. **Redemption**-- bought back from debt and slavery.

- e. 3:25. **Sacrifice**--the acceptance of a substitute to fulfill the obligations of a penalty.
 - f. **Atonement**-- AT-ONE-MENT. The restored unity between the offended party and the offender, making them "at one" again.
 - g. **Propitiation** B Greek *hilastrion* B wiping away a wrong-doing that turns away God=s wrath.
 - h. **Expiation** B the wiping away of a wrong-doing B with no reference to wrath.
3. We turn to God by faith in Jesus Christ in order to live in grace (Romans 3:22, 26-31).
- a. Knowledge of the facts.
 - b. Intellectual assent to those facts.
 - c. Total trust in those facts.
4. APPLICATION: The turning point from death to life comes as we receive "righteousness from God" as a free gift through faith in Jesus Christ.