Galatians 2:16~ Knowing as we do that a man is declared righteous, 1 not due to works of Law, but only through faith toward Christ Jesus, even we have put our faith in Christ Jesus, that we may be declared righteous due to faith toward Christ, and not due to works of Law, because due to works of Law, no flesh will be declared righteous.

Footnote: Literally, is being justified Greek, di-kai-ou'tai

Paul then finishes his argument, that he and Peter, though Jews, were declared righteous not by works under the Law Covenant that they performed as Jews, but through a hearing by faith toward Jesus Christ, and so they had put their faith in Christ alone.

[Question] How then, were both he and Peter, though Jews, declared righteous before God?

2. They thus no longer looked to earlier provisions of the Law Covenant like the Day of Atonement, which was then a shadow of good things to come, but now, the reality was there before them, Jesus Christ.

[Question] What earlier provisions of the Law Covenant, did they then no longer look to, for they had the fulfillment?

3. Paul then pointed out, that no one would ever be declared righteous through works, performed under the Law Covenant.

[Question] Who would be declared righteous, through works under the Law Covenant?

4. And do not enter into judgment with your servant, for before you, no one alive can be righteous. (Psalms 143:2)

[Question] What did the Psalmist pray for, knowing what was not possible on our own merit?

5. And that from all the things from which you could not be declared guiltless by means of the Law of Moses, everyone who believes is declared guiltless, by means of this One. (Acts of Apostles 13:39)

[Question] What things were men not able to gain forgiveness for, under the Law Covenant?

[Question] How long does a Christian's forgiveness last for?

6' Who will file accusation against God's chosen ones? God is the One who declares them righteous. (Romans 8:33)

[Question] Can any man file an accusation, against those whom Yehowah God declares righteous?

7. For in it, God's righteousness is being revealed by reason of faith and toward faith, just as it is written: But the righteous one, by means of faith he will live. (Romans 1:17)

[Question] How, and to whom, is God's righteousness being revealed?
[Question] For how will the righteous one keep living?

8' Yes, God's righteousness through the faith in Jesus Christ, for all those having faith. For there is no distinction. (Romans 3:22)

[Question] On what basis is righteousness given by Yehowah God?
[Question] Is there then, any distinction between Jews and Greeks, as to how atonement comes forth from God?

9. For if by the trespass of the one man death ruled as king through that one, much more will those who receive the abundance of the undeserved kindness and of the free gift of righteousness, rule as kings in life, through the one person, Jesus Christ. (Romans 5:17)

[Question] What resulted for all mankind from the one trespass of Adam?

[Question] What free gift come to mankind through the righteousness of one man, Jesus Christ, by God's undeserved kindness?

10" And yet that is what some of you were. But you have been washed clean, but you have been sanctified, but you have been declared righteous in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, and with the spirit of our God. (1 Corinthians 6:11)

[Question] What were some men who are not anointed Christians doing, before they became anointed Christians?

[Question] Who had declared them righteous, and how has he sanctified them?

11. For the Law made nothing perfect, but the bringing in besides of a better hope did, through which we are drawing

near to God. (Hebrews 7:19)

[Question] What did the Law Covenant make perfect?

[Question] What did make things perfect, and how was this mirrored through the covenant of (Genesis 17:1-14)?

12. Therefore by works of Law, no flesh will be declared righteous before him, for by Law is the accurate knowledge of sin. (Romans 3:20)

[Question] Will anyone be declared righteous through works performed under the Law Covenant?

[Question] What only does the Law Covenant make clear to men?

13. Why, then, the Law? It was added to make transgressions manifest, until the seed should arrive to whom the promise had been made, and it was transmitted through angels, by the hand of a mediator. (Galatians 3:19)

[Question] Why then, was mankind given the Law Covenant first?

14. And he made no distinction at all between us and them, but purified their hearts by faith. (Acts of Apostles 15:9)

[Question] By what means did Yehowah God purify the hearts of all?

15. On the contrary, we trust to get saved through the undeserved kindness of the Lord Jesus, in the same way as those people also. (Acts of Apostles 15:11)

[Question] How did Jews as well as Greeks expect to get saved?

16. For we reckon, that a man is declared righteous by faith, apart from works of Law. (Romans 3:28)

[Question] What alone declares a man righteous?

17. On the other hand, to the man that does not work, but puts faith in him who declares the ungodly one righteous, his faith is counted as righteousness. (Romans 4:5)

[Question] What is necessary to be declared righteous by God, and what is his faith counted as?

18. Much more, therefore, since we have been declared righteous now by his blood, shall we be saved through him

from wrath. (Romans 5:9)

[Question] What can anointed Christians now expect, since they have been declared righteous through their faith?

19. For what reason? Because he pursued it, not by faith, but as by works. They stumbled on the stone of stumbling. (Romans 9:32)

[Question] Why then, did the Jews stumble over the Messiah?

20" Now if it is by undeserved kindness, it is no longer due to works, otherwise, the undeserved kindness no longer proves to be undeserved kindness. (Romans 11:6)

[Question] Would God's undeserved kindness be undeserved, if righteousness came through works, rather than by faith?

21. Moreover, that by Law no one is declared righteous with God is evident, because the righteous one will live by reason of faith. (Galatians 3:11)

[Question] What does the scripture say, that the righteous one will live by means of?

22. And be found in union with him, having, not my own righteousness, which results from Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness that issues from God on the basis of faith. (Philippians 3:9)

[Question] What righteousness results from Law?

[Question] How does the righteousness that issues from God, come forth?

23' That, after being declared righteous by virtue of the undeserved kindness of that one, we might become heirs according to a hope of everlasting life. (Titus 3:7)

[Question] What will the declaration of righteousness result in, for anointed Christians?

24. Moreover, without faith it is impossible to please him well, for he that approaches God must believe that he is, and that he becomes, the rewarder of those earnestly seeking him. (Hebrews 11:6)

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[Question] What must a man have to please God well, and what do we call such confidence?