

"WHAT IS RIGHTEOUSNESS?" (The Armor of God Series - Three)

Introduction: There are {seven} pieces in the spiritual armor! The first is "the girdle of truth"! The second is "the breastplate of righteousness"! (Ephesians 6:14) There are {two} kinds of "righteousness"!

I. THERE IS {POSITIONAL} {IMPUTED} RIGHTEOUSNESS

*Romans 3:10 *Psalm 14:2-3 *Isaiah 64:6 *II Corinthians 5:21
*Lamentations 1:18 *James 2:23 *Isaiah 61:10 *Romans 4:3
*Romans 10:1-8 *Galatians 2:21 *Titus 3:5 *Romans 4:6
*I John 2:1 *Isaiah 54:17

1. There is none righteous, except Jesus.

Note: The righteous One died for the unrighteous so we could become righteous.

2. When any person puts faith in Jesus, they become "righteous".

Note: "Imputed" refers to a ledger kept by an accountant!

3. Positional righteousness is maintained by the intercession of the righteous Jesus.

II. THERE IS {PERSONAL} {INFUSED} RIGHTEOUSNESS

*Psalm 23:1-3 *II Peter 1:5 *I Peter 1:15-16 *Matthew 5:6
*John 16:8 *I John 1:5-7 *Genesis 18:23-28 *Psalm 34:15-17
*Matthew 5:10 *Jeremiah 5:25 *John 15:4-5 *James 5:16
*Hebrews 1:9

1. Personal righteousness is always spoken to believers!

Question: "Is Ephesians 6:14 addressing positional righteousness or personal righteousness?"

2. Personal righteousness affects a believer's fellowship with God, not relationship.

Note: God looks for faith and "righteousness".

3. Personal righteousness has great effects on the blessings and fruitfulness of the believer.

Sermon Notes

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Conclusion: The next piece of Spiritual Armor is sandals! (Next Sunday!)