



QUOTE OF THE WEEK

*As long as you are too attached to your past,
You negate what God wants to do in your future.
Learn from yesterday, don't live in it!*

Series: *Knowing Your Position*

We Are JUSTIFIED! (It's Postural – Stand before Him)

Acts 13:38-39 NKJV & Romans 5:1-2 NKJV

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INTRODUCTION

Justified (Greek: *dikaioo*) = *declare righteous; to acquit; to set free; to remove guilt.*

Postural Justification

- The posture of the Rolls-Royce company – nothing goes wrong with a Rolls-Royce, not ever.
- † The Posture of our position in Christ – we are **justified**, that is God's posture towards us until we see Him face to face.

What is justification?

- It is the declared purpose of God to regard and treat those sinners who believe in Jesus Christ as if they had not sinned,
- It is on the ground of the merits of the Savior.
- It is NOT mere pardon (pardon is a free forgiveness of past offenses).
- It has reference to those sins as ***forgiven*** and ***blotted out***.

Justification has respect to the law, and to God's future dealings with the sinner.

- It is an act by which God determines to treat him hereafter as righteous--as if he had not sinned.
- The basis for this is the merit of the Lord Jesus Christ, merit that we can plead as if it were our own.
- Jesus has taken our place and died in our stead
- Jesus has met the descending stroke of justice, which would have fallen on our own heads if He had not interposed.

In order understand our posture and recognize that we are justified,
We need to recognize that **we are justified...**

1) BY _____ (KNOWLEDGE)

† 2 Corinthians 1:13 NKJV

† Acts 13:38 NKJV

- Known (Greek: *gnostos*) - means what is known, information. "Know this..."

† Acts 13:39 NKJV

- Justify (Greek: *diakaioo*) - means to acquit; to put right; to set free; to remove guilt.
 - Dictionary also defines it to mean - to show or prove to be right or reasonable:
(Just - as - if - had - not - sinned)
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2) BY _____ (FAITH)

† Acts 17:3-4 NKJV

† Romans 5:1 NKJV

- Faith (Greek: *pistis*) - means to believe in, have confidence; being persuaded...
- Peace (Greek: *eirene*) means freedom, tranquility – with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...

† John 14:6 NKJV

3) BY _____ (GRACE)

† Romans 5:2 NKJV

- **Appropriation:** means the action of taking something for one's own use, typically without the owner's permission.
- Access (Greek: *prosagoge*) - means approach.
- Dictionary – entering into, opportunity.

† Hebrews 11:6 NKJV

† Romans 5:2 NKJV

- Rejoice means to boast.
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CONCLUSION

Our Salvation is the practical expression of our Redemption in Christ, which displays our posture of Justification!