**Praise God for everyone that came & prayed for the LoveLife Prayer Walk.**

* The Church is the Light and we need to shine in darkness anytime God gives us opportunity.
* We have a short time in our life to make a difference. Be praying for VBS June 17-19.
* **All Life is precious to God –** John 3:16 – We have Good News to share – We have the Hope for today and tomorrow for the lost sinner in the person of the Lord Jesus our Savior and Lord. John 14:6.

**The Justified Believer in Christ Jesus.**

**Key verses:**

* Galatians 3:8  And the scripture, foreseeing that God would justify the heathen through faith, preached before the gospel unto Abraham, saying, In thee shall all nations be blessed.
* Justification by faith is a fundamental belief to the church of God..
* Paul speaks on very important doctrine, the doctrine of Justifications.
* **What is the doctrine of Justification? It is an act of God alone “to declare sinners righteous” and “guiltless” before Himself.**
* **Justification consists of two parts: “the remission [forgiveness or pardon] of sins and the imputation [ascribed or assigned] of Christ’s righteousness”** Romans 4:6-8, Ps. 32:1-2, 112:1,
* Psalms 32:2 - Blessed is the man unto whom the LORD imputes no iniquity, and in whose spirit there is no guile.
* Psa. 85:1- LORD, You have been favorable unto thy land: Thou has brought back the captivity of Jacob. Psa. 85:2  Thou has forgiven the iniquity of Thy people, Thou has covered all their sin.

**Praise God for the Justification of sinners!!!**

* The Song - Wonderful Grace of Jesus, greater than all my sin;
Lyrics - How shall my tongue describe it, Where shall its praise begin? Taking away my burden, setting my spirit free; O the Wonderful Grace of Jesus reaches me!

***The Dilemma – How Can a Person be Right with God?***

* Job posed the question to his friends, “But how can a man be in the right before God?” (Job 9:2), and yet in the parable of the Pharisee and the Tax Collector, Jesus made it clear that it was possible for God to justify sinful people (Luke 18:9-14).
* The works of the law cannot justified man. Galatians 2:16
* Paul argues how did they receive God’s Holy Spirit in Galatians 3:2 – By works of law or by faith?
* This is why Paul says in Romans to consider yourself alive unto God trough Jesus Christ =
* Romans\_6:11 Likewise reckon [to consider] you also yourselves to be dead indeed unto sin, **but alive** unto God through Jesus Christ our Lord. How? Through faith in God’s Justification for sin!

**Only God has power on earth to forgive sins.**

**Jesus said:**

Matthew\_9:6  But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (then saith he to the sick of the palsy,) Arise, take up thy bed, and go unto thine house.

Mar\_2:10  But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power on earth to forgive sins, (he saith to the sick of the palsy,)

Luk\_5:24  But that ye may know that the Son of man hath power upon earth to forgive sins, (he said unto the sick of the palsy,) I say unto thee, Arise, and take up thy couch, and go into thine house.

**Paul said:**

Act\_26:18  To open their eyes, *and* to turn *them* from darkness to light, and *from* the power of Satan unto God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins, and inheritance among them which are sanctified by faith that is in me.

Heb\_1:3  Who being the brightness of *his* glory, and the express image of his person, and upholding all things by the word of his power, when he had by himself purged our sins, sat down on the right hand of the Majesty on high;

**Results and Implications for Believers, because of The High Price of Jesus’ blood!**

We have peace with God (Rom 5:1). The relationship broken by sin is re-established.

The Lord Jesus Christ Unites us to Father

* Rom 5:1  Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:
* Someone said it well – Look to the World you get distressed. Look to Jesus you get rest!
* Paul calls God’s Grace of peace and wonderful promise from GOD in Galatians 3:22
* Gal 3:22  But the scripture hath concluded all under sin, that the promise by faith of Jesus Christ might be given to them that believe.

**There is a sure and certain hope of a future beyond this present world order (Rom 5:2).**

* Romans 5:2  By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.
* Paul says to the Galatians, not to frustrate God!!!
* Galatians\_2:21  I do not frustrate the grace of God: for if righteousness come by the law, then Christ is dead in vain.
* The five Solas of Faith – nclude sola scriptura (Scripture alone), solus Christus (Christ alone), sola fide (faith alone), sola gratia (grace alone), and soli Deo gloria (glory to God alone)

**Assurance is based, in the first place, not on feelings but on the truth that as believers we are righteous before God through Christ’s obedience and blood (Rom 8:30).**

* Rom 8:30  Moreover whom he did predestinate, them he also called: and whom he called, them he also justified: and whom he justified, them he also glorified.

**We are adopted into God’s family (Rom 8:15; Gal 4:5).**

* **Gal 4:5  To redeem them that were under the law, that we might receive the adoption of sons.**

**We belong to the one covenant community. As Gentiles do not need to become Jews in order to join the group** (Gal 3:29) so membership of the church is open to all whose trust is in Christ alone for acceptance with God.

* Gal 3:29  And if ye be Christ's, then are ye Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise.

**This biblical doctrine gives all the glory to God and leaves the justified sinner lost in wonder, love, and praise (Isa 45:24-25; 54:17; 61:10; 1Cor 1:30-31).**

* 1Corinthinas 1:30-31  But of him are ye in Christ Jesus, who of God is made unto us wisdom, and righteousness, and sanctification, and redemption:
* 1Co 1:31  That, according as it is written, He that glorieth, let him glory in the Lord.