



Seventh Day Adventist Church Inter-European Division

Sabbath School Ministry

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Outline with ideas for group discussion largely taken from the Teachers' Edition of the Sabbath School Lesson prepared by the General Conference SS ministry.

Lesson no.: 04 **21 – 27 October 2017**
Title: **Justification by Faith**
Key texts: ***Romans 3:19-28.***

A. Themes to Explore:

1. The purpose of the law is to indicate the way, principles and behaviours. It is a guide to distinguish good from evil. It does not save anyone.
2. It is not the law's job to save or forgive or make righteous, it doesn't even give us the strength to observe it.
3. In justification God pronounces pardon and declares us justified and righteous by the merit of one act: that which Jesus did has done for us.

B. Learning Objectives*

- Know:** Grasp the fundamental importance that Romans 3:19-28 has for the understanding the Gospel.
- Feel:** Understand the profound implications of the message of salvation by faith in the righteousness of Christ alone.
- Do:** Highlight the link between justification, sanctification and a richer experience with Jesus Christ.

C. Other possible questions for deeper study, debate, sharing and testimony**

1. **Why is this lesson important to me? (Motivate);**
 - 1a. How many times have you wanted to faithfully observe the law? What were the results? Then how did you feel?
2. **What else is there still to learn from God's Word? (Explore);**
 - 2a. Read the quotation cited in the note for Monday's lesson and share your comments on it. What strikes you?
3. **How can I practice what I've learned from God's Word? (Apply);**
 - 3a. What practice and stance do we personally need to make in order to **enjoy justification?**
4. **How can I communicate and apply what I've learned from God's Word? (Create).**
 - 4a. In a world which has always believed that "obedience" is deserving of reward how can we help others to accept a salvation that comes only from God?

NOTES:

- * Copied from the Teachers Edition that adopts active, functional and sharing principles (Know, Feel, Do).
** To compare and use together with the final questions found in the lesson study every Friday.
*** The questions in red are drawn from the Teachers Edition.