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Galatians 2:15 We are Jews by nature and not sinners from among the Gentiles; Romans 3:1 Then what advantage has the Jew? Or what is the benefit of circumcision? 2 Great in every respect. First of all, that they were entrusted with the oracles of God.

Point #1: Jews were the people through whom the Messiah would come, were set apart by God, were the recipients of the law & were most connected to the story of God.

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Point #2: Being justified by faith in Christ alone is a core church doctrine.

Faith results in an initial surrender & an on-going surrendering marked by trust in & imitation of King Jesus for God's glory.

"A disciple of the Lord Jesus Christ is a Spirit empowered imitator of God's Son, who actively and passively serves as an object of imitation for others, to the glory of the Father."

Dr. Witte

"Justification is the act of God that <u>forgives our sin</u> and <u>enables everlasting life in God's presence</u>.

Within justification is an instantaneous occurrence of regeneration or **rebirth**, in which we are given **a new self** that is <u>capable of Christlikeness</u>.

It is part of the process of salvation, rather than the end of it."

Source: A Dallas Willard Dictionary

"Sanctification is the intentional process by which the inner person of an individual comes to resemble that of Christ.

It is dependent upon regeneration (the giving of a new life by God), human effort, & God's grace."

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Romans 3:19 Now we know that whatever the Law says, it speaks to those who are under the Law, so that every mouth may be closed and all the world may become accountable to God; 20 because by the works of the Law no flesh will be justified in His sight; for through the Law comes the knowledge of sin.

Point #3: The new identity of God's people is marked by the work of the crucified, risen King as opposed to the works of the Law.

PRACTICAL APPLICATION

- 1. Salvation is made possible <u>for all</u> by grace through faith in King Jesus.
- 2. Rehearse, apply & share a clear, complete & true gospel.
- 3. Use the gospel/grace to its fullest capacity in your life & in others' lives.
- 4. Don't think faith results in a <u>bare</u> acknowledgement or in an <u>empty</u> affirmation of Jesus as King.