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Romans 3:23-24

John 3

¹⁶ For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. ¹⁷ For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. ¹⁸ Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because they have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son.

Romans 1

⁵ Through him we received grace and apostleship to call all the Gentiles to the obedience that comes from faith for his name's sake.

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¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.

¹⁷ For in the gospel the righteousness of God is revealed—a righteousness that is by faith from first to last, just as it is written: “The righteous will live by faith.”

Romans 3

²¹ But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. ²² This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, ²³ for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴ and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

Romans 4

⁴ Now to the one who works, wages are not credited as a gift but as an obligation. ⁵ However, to the one who does not work but trusts God who justifies the ungodly, their faith is credited as righteousness.

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¹⁸ Against all hope, Abraham in hope believed and so became the father of many nations, just as it had been said to him, “So shall your offspring be.” ¹⁹ Without weakening in his faith, he faced the fact that his body was as good as dead—since he was about a hundred years old—and that Sarah’s womb was also dead.

Romans 4

²⁰ Yet he did not waver through unbelief regarding the promise of God, but was strengthened in his faith and gave glory to God, ²¹ being fully persuaded that God had power to do what he had promised. ²² This is why “it was credited to him as righteousness.”

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What did Luther mean by Faith Alone ?

Luther 95 Theses

27. They preach only human doctrines who say that as soon as the money clinks into the money chest, the soul flies out of purgatory.

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James 2

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¹⁸ But someone will say, “You have faith; I have deeds.”
Show me your faith without deeds, and I will show you my faith by my deeds. ¹⁹ You believe that there is one God. Good! Even the demons believe that—and shudder.

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²⁵ In the same way, was not even Rahab the prostitute considered righteous for what she did when she gave lodging to the spies and sent them off in a different direction?

²⁶ As the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without deeds is dead.

Closure

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Obedient Faith

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The image shows a musical score for a vocal line and a bass line. The vocal line is written on a treble clef staff with a key signature of one flat (B-flat) and a 4/4 time signature. The lyrics are "Faith is the vic - to - ry! Faith is the vic - to - ry!". The word "Faith" is written in a bold, italicized font below the first and second notes of the vocal line. The bass line is written on a bass clef staff with a key signature of one flat and a 4/4 time signature. The bass line consists of a series of chords and single notes that provide a harmonic foundation for the vocal line. The music is in a simple, hymn-like style.

Musical score for the hymn "Faith is the Victory". The score is written for voice and piano. The voice part is on a treble clef staff, and the piano accompaniment is on a bass clef staff. The key signature is one flat (B-flat major or D minor), and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is simple and memorable, with a strong emphasis on the word "Faith". The piano accompaniment provides a steady harmonic support with chords and moving lines.

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Musical score for the hymn "Faith is the Victory". The score consists of two staves: a treble clef staff for the melody and a bass clef staff for the accompaniment. The melody is written in a 2/4 time signature and features a simple, repetitive melodic line. The lyrics are "Faith is the vic-to-ry! Faith is the vic-to-ry!". The word "Faith" is written in a larger font and is italicized in the original image. The accompaniment consists of a simple harmonic pattern of chords and single notes.

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Musical score for the hymn "Faith is the Victory". The score consists of two staves: a treble clef staff (top) and a bass clef staff (bottom). The melody is written in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: "Faith is the vic-to-ry! Faith is the vic-to-ry!". The word "Faith" is written in italics below the first and second occurrences of the word in the lyrics. The music is in a 4/4 time signature and features a simple, melodic line with a bass line providing harmonic support.

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94. Christians should be exhorted to be diligent in following Christ, their Head, through penalties, death and hell.

95. And thus be confident of entering into heaven through many tribulations rather than through the false security of peace (Acts 14:22).

²¹ They preached the gospel in that city and won a large number of disciples. Then they returned to Lystra, Iconium and Antioch, ²² strengthening the disciples and encouraging them to remain true to the faith. “We must go through many hardships to enter the kingdom of God,” they said.