

# **GETTING IT RIGHT!**

## **Part 1**

**Text: Romans 1:16-17 NKJ**

### **So How Do You Get Right With God?**

- Conventional thinking
  1. Going to church
  2. Being good/not hurting people
  3. Obeying the 10 commandments
- God's thoughts
  1. Not being good - what is the standard for good
  2. Not by going to church - church is to reach/equip and support
  3. Not by obeying the 10 commandments - good, but not good enough
- The word is righteousness
  1. Simply put; being right in God's sight by His standards, not mans
  2. Available only through faith in Jesus (***Acts 13:38-39 NLT***)
  3. Grace is what made righteousness available to us (***Galatians 2:21 NLT***)

### **A PICTURE OF RIGHTEOUSNESS BY GRACE (2 Samuel 9:1-5 NKJ)**

- The kindness of God
  1. David wanted to show kindness for Jonathan's sake
  2. Mephibosheth did not earn David's kindness
  3. David went and got him - Meph did not come to David on his own
- A tainted perspective (***2 Samuel 9:6-8 NKJ***)
  1. David was blamed for Meph's disability
  2. Grew up with a tainted perspective of David
  3. Meph had a low view of himself - referring to himself as a dead dog
- A restoration to rightstanding
  1. Mephibosheth was royalty, a king's grandson
  2. David restored his lands and servants
  3. He gave Meph a place of honor at his table

### **OUR PICTURE OF GOD'S LOVE TOWARD US**

- Because of His love and what Jesus did
  1. We did not earn anything
  2. We did not have anything we could offer God (***Romans 5:10 NKJ***)
  3. God came to us - He sent Jesus
- Our tainted perspective
  1. We have often believed God was our problem
  2. We have not seen ourselves as He sees us
- Our being given a place of rightstanding with God (***Colossians 1:12-14 NKJ***)
  1. We have an inheritance in Christ
  2. We have been delivered from Satan's authority
  3. Our sins have been forgiven so we can stand righteous before Him