

# **Redemption Needed**

Romans 3.9-12

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and fall short of the  
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Romans 3:23



Top Row and Bottom Left and Center: Amanda, circa 2003;  
Bottom Right: Age-progression to age 26 (circa 2012)

# “I am basically a good person”

**Romans 1:18–3:20** man's lost condition (condemned)  
→ all men's need for a Savior

- God's righteous standard 1:18,25 2:2,8-11
  - To Gentiles – thru moral law 2:14-15
  - To Jews – through Moses' law 2:17-24
- Conclusion all men are under sin 3:9-20,23
  - Cannot be made righteous by law (moral or Mosaic)

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# All are lost.. All need Christ

Acts 17:30

John 14:6

All men are lost (even those who have never heard)

Romans 3:23; 6:23; 8:2

- Man stands condemned, unable to save himself
- To be redeemed, God must step in to redeem him

**Romans 3:23-24** for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, <sup>24</sup> being justified freely by His grace through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus..

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# Man is not justified by Law

The nature of law – given to restrain sin

- **1 Tim 1:9** not made for righteous man but for lawless
- **Psalms 19:7** God's law is perfect (truth, righteousness)
- **Galatians 3:10-12** requires strict obedience
  - For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse; for it is written, "Cursed *is* everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them." <sup>11</sup> But that no one is <sup>[a]</sup>justified by the law in the sight of God *is* evident, for "the just shall live by faith." <sup>12</sup> Yet the law is not of faith, but "the man who does them shall live by them."

# In Christ, God justifies the sinner

- Law condemns the sinner, but cannot justify the violator **Gal 3:10-12, 2 Cor 3:7,9**
  - The law of Moses a legal law (ministry of death)
- Justification is the act of God declaring or accounting one as righteous **Romans 4:2-5**
  - Christianity is a law of liberty (blesses) James 1:25  
**Romans 3:27; Romans 6:14, 8:1-2**

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# THE PERFECT LAW OF LIBERTY

AN EFFECTUAL DOER OF THE WORD WILL BE BLESSED.

James 1:25

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