

LESSON 4 The Nature Of God.

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ROMANS 7:7.

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1. Read Romans 5:13. What does the word "impute" mean?

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To charge to one's account.

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2. Read Romans 7:7. What was the purpose of the Law?

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To make sin known.

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3. Read Galatians 3:24. According to this verse, what was the purpose of the Law?

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To show mankind their need of the Savior, Jesus Christ.

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4. Read John 8:1-11. How did Jesus deal with the woman caught in adultery?

JOHN 8:1-11

1. Jesus went unto the mount of Olives.

2. And early in the morning he came again into the temple, and all the people came unto him; and he sat down, and taught them.

3. And the scribes and Pharisees brought unto him a woman taken in adultery; and when they had set her in the midst,

4. The woman was taken in adultery, in the very act.
5. Now Moses in the law commanded us, that such should be stoned: but what sayest thou?
6. This they said, tempting him, that they might have to accuse him. But Jesus stooped down, and with his finger wrote on the ground, as though he heard them not.
7. So when they continued asking him, he lifted up himself, and said unto them, He that is without sin among you, let him first cast a stone at her.
8. And again he stooped down, and wrote on the ground.
9. And they which heard it, being convicted by their own conscience, went out one by one, beginning at the eldest, even unto the last: and Jesus was left alone, and the woman standing in the midst.
10. When Jesus had lifted up himself and saw none but the woman, he said unto her, Woman, where are those thine accusers? hath no man condemned thee?
11. She said, No man, Lord. And Jesus said unto her, Neither do I condemn thee: go, and sin no more.

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In mercy and grace.

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JOHN 3:34.

For he whom God hath sent speaketh the words of God: for God giveth not the Spirit by measure unto him.

1 JOHN 4:8.

He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love.

ROMANS 5:6.

For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

ROMANS 5:8.

But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

ROMANS 5:10.

For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.

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5. Did Jesus' words and actions reflect the true nature of God? See John 3:34.

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Yes.

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6. Read 1 John 4:8. According to this verse, what is the true nature of God?

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7. Read Romans 5:6. God's love was directed toward us when we were what?

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Without strength; i.e., helpless and ungodly

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8. Read Romans 5:8. God loved us while we were what?

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Sinners.

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9. Read Romans 5:10. God loved us while we were what?

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Enemies.

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10. If you asked Jesus Christ to forgive you and be your Savior and Lord, trusting Jesus' sacrifice as payment for your sin, would God show you His true nature of mercy and grace?

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Yes.

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11. Read Romans 4:14. What is required for a person to transgress?

Romans 4:15.  
Because the law worketh wrath: for where no law is, there is no transgression.  
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There must be a law in place.

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12. Read Romans 5:14. Did Adam Transgress?

Romans 5:14.  
Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.  
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Yes. The text says Adam's transgression.

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13. Read Genesis . 2:17. What law did Adam transgress?

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But of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil, thou shalt not eat of it: for in the day that thou eatest thereof thou shalt surely die.

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14 Read Romans 15:13. What is the requirement for the imputation of sin.

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There must be a law in place at the time of the imputation.

15. What law was responsible for the imputation of sin.

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