**Sunday, April 22, 2018**

**But Now**

**Romans 3:21-26**

The Apostle Paul wrote the New Testament book of Romans as a letter to the early Christian church in Rome. The book of Romans provides a deep theological foundation for understanding the impact and glory of the Gospel of Christ. In today’s passage, Paul shifts his tone. After introducing the concepts of the righteousness and the wrath of God, and reminding the reader that no one is righteous because all have sinned, Paul introduces justification – the idea that God justifies sinners in spite of their sin.

We learn that God declares you righteous when you declare your faith in Jesus.

Justification = God’s loving way of making us \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_.

1. God has a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for you.

2. God declared a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for you.

3. God made a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for you.

4. God accepted a \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ for you.

Reflections for This Week:

* What has God provided for all people?
* Why do we need what He has provided?
* What does it means to fall short of God’s glory?
* Why does God act to put us in right standing with Him?
* How did God justify us?