

*Justice & Righteousness are the Foundation of God's  
Throne  
2 Peter 2:4-10*

*Because justice has been satisfied, God pronounces "Not guilty" upon all those who are in Christ (Romans 3:24), those who call on His name (John 1:12). Justice now insists that, once a sin has been paid for, it cannot be brought up again. When our sins are under the blood of His sacrifice, God holds them against us no more (Romans 8:1; Colossians 2:14; 1 Peter 2:24; Isaiah 43:25). God remains just; He is not violating His own code of justice by pardoning those who deserve its consequences. Salvation IS a just consequence because God has pronounced Jesus' death and resurrection sufficient to satisfy His wrath. The curse of the Law that we justly deserved has been taken by Jesus on the cross (Galatians 3:13). [gotquestions.org](http://gotquestions.org)*

***The 13 attributers of God***

1. God is a personal Spirit (Ps. 143:6), 2. God is all-powerful (Dan. 4:35) 3. God is present everywhere (Ps. 139:7-10) 4. God knows everything (Dan. 2:21) 5. God is sovereign (Jer. 32:17) 6. God is Holy (1 Peter 1:16) 7. God is absolute truth (Jn. 8:31-32) 8. God is righteous (Eph. 4:24) 9. God is just (2 Cor. 5:10) 10. God is love (1 Jn. 4:10) 11. God is merciful (1 Jn. 1:9) 12. God is faithful (2 Tim. 2:13) 13. God never changes (Mal. 3:6)

- I. God's justice means that every person who has ever lived will be held up to God's standard of righteousness at the judgement; their actions will be measured against his moral character, his holiness. Mankind cannot be a law unto themselves to determine in their own eyes what is right, that is relativism, which means that the standard of morality is always changing according to the whim of man. A biblical worldview understands that God is the final standard of what is right and true, and it is our responsibility to live according to his standard and not our own.

Deut. 32:4  
Isa. 45:19  
Judges 21:25  
Rev. 20:11ff.  
Rom. 3:23  
Rom. 6:23  
Rom. 3:10-11  
Jn. 3:16  
Rom. 3:21-24

*rel-a-tiv-ism the doctrine that knowledge, truth, and morality exist in relation to culture, society, or historical context, and are not absolute.*

- II. God's just dealings with sin means that he reserves evil for inevitable judgement as he holds men, women, and angels who have rebelled against him accountable for their iniquitous ways. If he did not spare angels or the ancient world, and if he condemned whole cities because of their sin, then who is man to think that he will escape the same fate.

2 Peter 2:4-7

Gen. 6:5-7a

Gen. 18:20

Jude 6

Heb. 10:30

Deut. 32:35

*Romans 12:19 Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the LORD.*

*"As a result of God's righteousness, it is necessary that he treat people according to what they deserve. Thus, it is necessary that God punish sin, for it does not deserve reward; it is wrong and deserves punishment." Gurdem*

- III. Believers will never stand before the great white throne judgment reserved for the unrighteous. We will never know what it will be like to be condemned for our sin. God's grace means that righteousness and peace have kissed us and drawn us into an eternal loving relationship with the Lord. It would behoove us then, to live well for him in the days we have left as we wait for him to call us up to be with him forever and ever.  
Maranatha, O Lord come.

2 Peter 2:7-10

Ps. 85:10

Ps. 89:1-18

**1 Thess. 5:9** *for God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.*

**Revelation 22:12-14,17** *12"Look, I am coming soon! My reward is with me, and I will give to each person according to what they have done. 13I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. 14"Blessed are those who wash their robes, that they may have the right to the tree of life and may go through the gates into the city..." The Spirit and the bride say, "Come!" And let the one who hears say, "Come!" Let the one who is thirsty come; and let the one who wishes take the free gift of the water of life.*