The Righteousness of God
This is How I Know

Justification:

Romans 8:1 (ESV)
There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Some important truths about our justification:

God has **declared** that we are _____ and _____ in Jesus Christ. This is our *position*.

Our lives are now changing _____ we have been justified; not vice versa. This is our *practice*.

The **result** is _____ by God; not self-righteousness.

Sanctification: _____ _____

1. He frees me from _____ and _____.

Romans 8:2-3 (ESV)
For the law of the Spirit of life has **set you free in Christ Jesus** from the law of sin and death. For God has done what the law, weakened by the flesh, could not do. By sending his own Son in the likeness of sinful flesh and for sin, he condemned sin in the flesh,

God …

The Son …

The Holy Spirit …

2. He enables me to _____.

Romans 8:4 (ESV)
… in order that **the righteous requirement of the law** might be fulfilled in us, who walk not according to the flesh but according to the Spirit.

The work of grace in my life was never about the _____ of "righteous requirements".

It is about the _____ of righteousness!

3. He changes my _____.

Romans 8:5-11 (ESV)
For **those who live according to the flesh** set their minds on the things of the flesh, but those **who live according to the Spirit** set their minds on the things of the Spirit. For to set the mind on the flesh is death, but to set the mind on the Spirit is life and peace. For the mind that is set on the flesh is hostile to God, for it does not submit to God's law; indeed, it cannot. Those who are in the flesh cannot please God. You, however, are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if in fact the Spirit of God dwells in you. **Anyone who does not have the Spirit of Christ does not belong to him**. But if **Christ is in you**, although the body is dead because of sin, the Spirit is life because of righteousness. If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in you.

My old nature …

My new nature …

The Holy Spirit and evidence of salvation:

4. He gives me power to _____.

Romans 8:12-13 (ESV)
So then, brothers, we are debtors, not to the flesh, to live according to the flesh. For if you live according to the flesh you will die, but if **by the Spirit** you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live.

What am I to "kill"?

How am I to accomplish this?

Assurance of salvation then is based on _____, not _____!

Application:

Am I …

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