

Romans 8:28 and Theological Radicals

IMPUTATIONS

- I. The Imputation of Adam's sin to the race on which fact the Doctrine of Original Sin is based.
- II. The imputation of the sins of man to Christ on which the Doctrine of Salvation is based.
- III. The imputation of the Righteousness of God to those who believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, on which the Doctrine of Justification is based (Note Romans 8:28 with XYZ radical).

$$\begin{aligned} & \textbf{ROMANS 8:28} \\ & \textbf{X = (HL+AOS = P1+Gospel = H1) +} \\ & \textbf{Y = (J1+J2 = P2 + Sp.Fd. = H2) +} \\ & \textbf{Z = (EL+BT = P3 + Esc.Truth/US =H3)} \\ & \textbf{= GOD'S GLORY} \end{aligned}$$

There are *real* imputations (a place or receptacle for the imputation to go), and *judicial* imputations (no receptacle for the imputation). Christ had no receptacle for our sins to be imputed to Him, yet He received them willingly. This was a *judicial* imputation. It was necessary because we are powerless to deal with our own sin.

X Human life is imputed to the soul, and AOS is imputed to the genetically formed old sin nature, *real* imputations, and this actually gives the potential or hope of salvation; this is *positional sanctification*.

Y A Judicial imputation to Christ of our sins, plus the judicial imputation of imputed righteous to us at salvation gives the second potential; with Spiritual food, which God provides us all as believers, we are in turn given the hope of spiritual growth and *experiential sanctification*.

Z Eternal life, plus blessings in time provides a third potential of advancing maturity; when combined with eschatological truths and undeserved suffering, a third hope is established for the mature believer to exit this life in *ultimate sanctification*. This glorifies God.