

LESSON 10: FAITH EMBRACES ALL WE'LL NEED

Memory work

59. Q. But what does it help you now that you believe all this?

A. *In Christ I am righteous before God and heir to life everlasting.*

60. Q. How are you righteous before God?

A. *Only by true faith in Jesus Christ.*

Although my conscience accuses me

that I have grievously sinned

against all God's commandments,

have never kept any of them,

and am still inclined to all evil,

yet God,

without any merit of my own,

out of mere grace,

imputes to me the perfect satisfaction,

righteousness, and

holiness of Christ.

He grants these to me

as if I had never had nor committed any sin,

and as if I myself had accomplished

all the obedience which Christ

has rendered for me,

if only I accept this gift

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Homework

1.(2) Which would be more correct to say:

A. Believers are saved *because* of their faith.

B. Believers are saved *through* their faith. _____

2.(3) Why? _____

3.(2) Look up article 22 of the Belgic Confession and read it.

It is said that faith *as such* does not justify us. What is faith in relation to our justification?

4. (1) What does the word "impute" mean? _____

(2) Why is this word so important in the Christian faith? _____
