

**Date: September 11, 2016**

**Sermon Title: Justification by Faith the Indispensable Foundation**

**Speaker: Richard Smith**

**Scripture text(s): Galatians 2:15-20**

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- 1) Richard said, "Striving to be holy can't make us justified." In what ways have you seen in your own life the tendency to strive for holiness in your own strength?
- 2) What are some results of striving to be holy? Of climbing the ladder to reach God?
- 3) Discuss ways that our lifestyle and belief system tells Jesus that He didn't need to die because you've already saved yourself or can save yourself.
- 4) Compare the life of someone who has placed their faith completely in the work of Christ for salvation and justification to someone who believes they can work enough and do enough to get to God. What does each look like and what are the consequences of a work salvation?
- 5) How does being justified by faith and living in Him change your perspective and your lifestyle?