

# Righteousness by Faith

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## 2 Corinthians 5:21

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21 For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become the righteousness of God in Him.

## Two Blessedness described by David

### Romans 4:6-8

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6 just as David also describes the blessedness of the man **to whom** God imputes righteousness **apart from works**:

**7 “Blessed are those whose lawless deeds are forgiven,**

**And whose sins are covered;**

**8 Blessed is the man to whom the Lord shall not impute sin.”**

## How you know the Righteousness of the Lord

- From the story of Balaam and Balak

### Micah 6:5

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5 O My people, remember now  
What Balak king of Moab counseled,  
And what Balaam the son of Beor answered him,  
From Acacia Grove to Gilgal,  
That **you may know the righteousness of the Lord.”**

## Balak and Balaam

### Enemies blessing us bountifully

#### Numbers 23:11

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11 Then Balak said to Balaam, “What have you done to me? I took you to curse my enemies, and look, you have blessed them **bountifully!**”

## **No one can curse what Lord has blessed**

### **Irreversible Blessing**

#### **Numbers 23:18-23**

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18 Then he took up his oracle and said:

“Rise up, Balak, and hear!

Listen to me, son of Zippor!

19 “God *is* not a man, that He should lie,

Nor a son of man, that He should repent.

Has He said, and will He not do?

Or has He spoken, and will He not make it good?

20 Behold, I have received *a command* to bless;

**He has blessed, and I cannot reverse it.**

21 “**He has not observed iniquity in Jacob,**

**Nor has He seen wickedness in Israel.**

The Lord his God *is* with him,

And the **shout of a King** *is* among them.

22 God brings them out of Egypt;

**He has strength like a wild ox.**

23 “For *there is* no sorcery against Jacob,

Nor any divination against Israel.

It now must be said of Jacob

And of Israel, ‘Oh, what God has done!’

- “**He has not observed iniquity in Jacob, Nor has He seen wickedness in Israel**” :

- Because of the burnt offering

- **shout of a King** : Jesus

- It didn't say, they didn't do iniquity

- **He has strength like a wild ox** : There was non feeble — More info

## **Error of Balaam**

### **Jude 1:11**

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11 Woe to them! For they have gone in the way of Cain, have run greedily in the **error of Balaam** for profit, and perished in the rebellion of Korah.

- Don't go after the error of Balaam
- Thinking that God will curse the people whom He has blessed