

Sermon Outline
“**Back to the Basics**” Romans 3:22-24

INTRODUCTION: *A necessity in schools & churches: **back to the basics...***

I. HEAVEN

- A. A free gift (Romans 6:23)
- B. Not earned or deserved (Ephesians 2:8-9)
- C. But 40 % of Lutherans: “*works righteousness*”

II. MAN

- A. A sinner (Rom. 3:23)
- B. *3 sins per day/80,000 per lifetime*
- C. Cannot save himself (Proverbs 14:12)
- D. *Scrambled eggs with one rotten egg*

III. GOD

- A. Is merciful (Jeremiah 31:3)
- B. Is just (Exodus 34:7)

IV. CHRIST

- A. Who He is (Jn. 1:1-2; 14; 20:28; Mk. 4:35-41)
- B. What He did (Isaiah 53:6)
- C. *Record book of sins*
- D. *Paid in full* (John 19:30)
- E. Justified you freely (Romans 3:24)

V. FAITH

- A. What it is not: “head knowledge” (James 2:19)
- B. What it is: “heart trust” (Ephesians 2:8)

CONCLUSION: The movie *Annie*: “*No more scrubbing windows & floors!*”