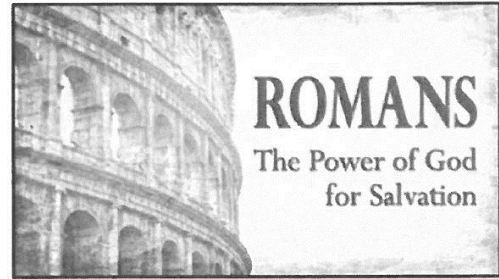


Thunder and Righteousness

Romans 3:21-31



Basic Outline:	Romans
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What Paul’s Thundering Gospel Tells Us about the Lightning of God’s Righteousness...

When we hear the thunder, we are drawn to consider the lightning.

I. The Storm

- A. God has a _____ to Realize Reliably.
- B. God has a _____ to Resolve Reasonably.
- C. God has a _____ to Renew Radically.

II. The Strength

† The Lightning has a name: *Jesus Christ*

III. The Strike

- A. The lightning strikes *all who* _____.
- B. As a result, they are _____.
- C. All of this give us no reason to shift the focus to _____ in any way.

Two concluding questions:

1. Have I been struck by the lightning?!?
2. Where’s my thunder?!?