

HOW GOD JUSTIFIES SINFUL MEN

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PROPITIATION

THREE MAJOR ELEMENTS

- **The Righteous Demands Of The Father**

(The righteous character of God can accept nothing but perfect righteousness and His justice can never "cut corners." It must be fully satisfied through the punishment of sin.)

- **The Sufficient Penalty Payer**

(At the cross, Christ not only died in the sinner's place, but also satisfied the Father's demands, thereby appeasing His wrath.)

- **Faith In This Finished Work**

(This is what brings salvation to the elect [i.e. the one who believes].)

DEFINITION

Propitiation is the accomplishment of Christ whereby the demands of God's righteousness are satisfied, becoming personally effective the moment one believes in the finished work of Christ. It is the reason why the sinner does not receive his deserved punishment.