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Two Types of Biblical Righteousness

Imputed

- A righteous standing given the undeserving sinner by grace alone
- Positional, legal
- Alien to or outside of us
- Justification
- A legal decision in heaven
- In a moment; at salvation
- The righteousness of Jesus that the Father deposits into our account by a gift of His grace alone

Personal

- A righteous character & conduct that conforms to God's law
- Practical, moral
- Within us
- Sanctification
- An ongoing renovation in our souls
- Over a lifetime; after salvation
- The righteous character & conduct of Jesus that the Spirit reproduces in our souls by His grace alone

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 - A. A Legal Standing of Righteousness (Lk. 18:13-14; Phil. 3:9)
 - B. The Personal Character & Practice of Righteousness (1 Jn. 2:29; 3:3, 7-10)
- III. The Consummation: Eternal Fulfillment (6b)
 - A. The Present Reality
 - B. The Future Certainty