



*There is no one righteous, not even one; there is no one who understands, there is no one who seeks for God; all have turned aside, together they have become useless, <sup>L</sup>SEP there is no one who does good, <sup>L</sup>SEP there is not even one.*

*Romans 3.10-12*

*But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God's wrath, when his righteous judgment will be revealed.*

*Romans 2.5*

*Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin.*

*Romans 3.20*

# *Righteousness*

- ◆ *what God is and does*
- ◆ *God's character is righteous*
- ◆ *God's actions are righteous*
- ◆ *God's righteousness can be ours too*

*But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness is given through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe. There is no difference between Jew and Gentile, for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, and all are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.*

*Romans 3.24-25*

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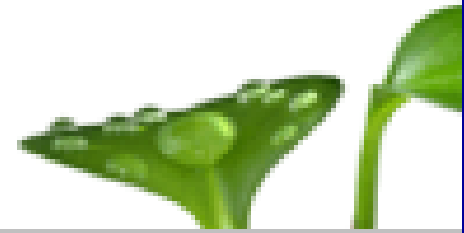












## **Twincredible solution to the kidney donor crisis: The genetic back-up plan that could boost transplant shortage**

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Peas in a pod: Roger, right, and Andrew, left, pictured at the age of six





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*For the life of a creature is in the blood, and I have given it to you to make atonement for yourselves on the altar; it is the blood that makes atonement for one's life.*

*Leviticus 17.11*



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*God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. ....God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God..*

*2 Corinthians 5.19, 21*

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*Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. Because of what law? The law that requires works? No, because of the 'law' that requires faith. For we maintain that a person is justified by faith apart from the works of the law.*

*Romans 3.27-28*

