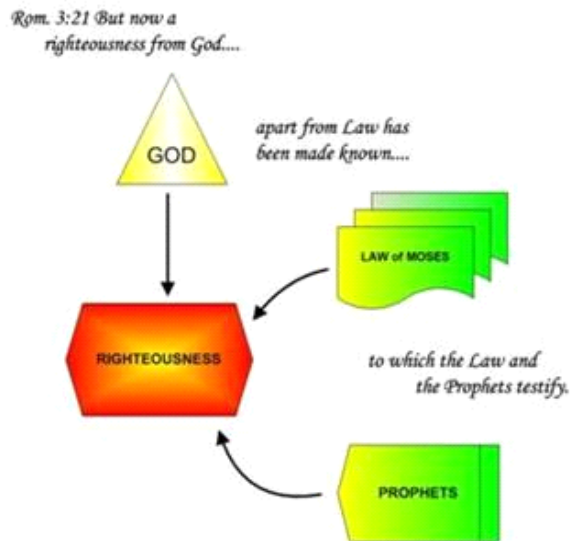


Romans 3:21-22 But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify. This righteousness comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.



God made a covenant with the Israelites at Mt. Sinai and sealed it with the blood of animals indicating that anyone who breaks this covenant must die. God is immortal and cannot die. The Israelites broke the covenant and deserved death but if all of them died then God would not be able to enter into a new covenant with them.



God became flesh and died so that the Old Covenant would come to an end. Christ represented God in His divinity and the Jews in His humanity. He was uniquely qualified to represent both parties and His death ended this covenant relationship.



Now God could enter into a New Covenant with all nations. Christ's blood seals this new covenant. He will never die again and those who have faith in Him will never die. Therefore, this is an everlasting covenant.