## **GOD PASSED OVER SIN TILL THE CROSS**

## **ROMANS 3:25-26**

## **OLD TESTAMENT ERA**

- Enoch CREATION Enoch walked with God (Ge.5:24)
  - Noah Noah was a just man (Ge.6:9)
  - Abraham Abraham believed God for righteousness (Ro.4:3)



- Sacrifices did not forgive sins, but covered them. They pointed to the need for a permanent atonement.
- God's permanent solution was the cross.
- ... "Everyone who does evil is good in the sight of the LORD, And He delights in them," Or, "Where is the God of justice?" (MI.2:17)

PRIES

- "Who is a God like You, Pardoning iniquity And passing over the transgression of the remnant of His heritage? He does not retain His anger forever, Because He delights in mercy." (Mi.7:18)
- "But He, being full of compassion, forgave their iniquity, And did not destroy them. Yes, many a time He turned His anger away, And did not stir up all His wrath" (Ps.78:38)

"Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent" (Ac.17:30)

TODAY

- "who in bygone generations allowed all nations to walk in their own ways" (Ac.14:16)
- "<sup>25</sup>whom God set forth as a propitiation by His blood, through faith, to demonstrate His righteousness, because in His forbearance God had passed over the sins that were previously committed, <sup>26</sup>to demonstrate at the present time His righteousness, that He might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus." (Ro.3:25-26)

The People knew God tolerated sin because they were still breathing!

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