

Ladies Bible Study

Week 11

(Week 10 in your lessons)

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"Therefore being justified by faith....." Romans 5:1

Having proved that justification cannot be obtained by character, position, Law observance, or the performance of religious rites, but only by faith in the crucified, risen, living Savior, the Lord Jesus Christ, the Apostle now proceeds:

"Therefore being justified by faith, we have" – five most precious blessings:

1. Peace with God (Verse 1)
2. _____ to God (Verse 2)
3. Rejoicing in hope of the glory of God (Verse 2)
4. Rejoicing in tribulations also (Verse 3)
5. The love of God...shed abroad in our hearts (Verse 5)

It should be carefully noted that all these blessings come to us
"_____ our Lord Jesus Christ," since He purchased them for us with His blood –

Romans 4:25 – Who was delivered for our offences, and was raised again for our justification.

Romans 5:1 – Therefore being justified freely by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

Is it strange, then, that we should read in John 3:35-36:
"The Father loved the Son, and hath given all things into His hand. He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life, and he that believeth not the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God abideth on him."

God is concerned with our attitude toward His beloved Son. In the end it is our attitude toward the Lord Jesus Christ that will either save us for all eternity or cast us forever out of God's presence. All the ritual and mystery and eloquence of modern religion mean nothing to God.



He will have His Son proclaimed, trusted, loved and honored –
Colossians 1:18 – And He is the head of the body, the church: who is the
beginning, the firstborn from the dead; that in all things he might have the
preeminence.

Preeminence means to be first, hold the first place.

PEACE WITH GOD

“Therefore being justified by faith we have peace with God through our Lord
Jesus Christ” Romans 5:1

“Being justified by faith,” our sins imputed to Christ and His righteousness
imputed to us, the barrier of sin removed, we are now at “peace with God –
through our Lord Jesus Christ.” What a blessed relationship! Those who are
forever trying to make their peace with God are to be pitied, for God Himself
has made provision for this through Christ, and we are to receive it by faith.

Ephesians 2:14 – For he is our peace, who hath made both one, and hath
broken down the middle wall of partition between us;

Colossians 1:20 – And having made peace through the blood of his cross, by
him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, I say, whether they be things in
earth, or things in heaven.

Before our justification by faith in Christ’s finished work, we could only look
forward to the _____ of God upon our sins. We were among those
“who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage”
(Hebrews 2:15).

But now by grace, through faith, we stand justified before the bar of God. It is
true that believers sometimes fail to enjoy their status before God, but this
does not change God’s Word about it, nor the fact of their relationship to Him.

ACCESS TO GOD

“By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand.....”
Romans 5:2

The believer’s access to God is one of the most _____ truths of
the Bible. When the Law was given the people “stood afar off” and were
warned repeatedly that they should not come near to Mt. Sinai, where God
spoke to Moses, “lest they die.” Later, when the tabernacle was built, a thick
“veil” separated the people, even the priests, from God’s presence:



"The Holy Ghost this signifying, that the way into the holiest of all [God's actual presence] was not yet made manifest..." – Hebrews 9:8

But now, under grace, the believer is given free access into God's presence. Indeed, in Hebrews 4:16, we are urged to come _____ to the throne of grace, not when it is convenient for God, but in our "time of need." Furthermore, the "mercy seat" of the Old Testament tabernacle has now become a "throne of grace." And as a throne surpasses a seat, or a chair in glory, so does grace far surpass mercy.

Some, failing to distinguish between standing and state, affirm that access to the throne of grace has nothing to do with the members of the Body of Christ since they are already seated in the heavenlies in Christ.

Ephesians 2:6 – And hath raised us up together, and made us sit together in heavenly places in Christ Jesus:

This is a mistake, for the very epistle that has most to say about our position in the heavenlies also says:

Ephesians 2:18 – For through him [the Lord Jesus Christ] we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

Romans 5:2 distinguishes between our position and our privilege, for it says that "we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand." Every believer falls far short of occupying his position in the heavenlies in Christ and of appropriating his "all spiritual blessings" there but, thank God, we have free access to enter into these blessings "by faith" at any time.

So God, the God of the universe, says to the humblest believer: "Come. Come with your sorrow and grief; come with your questions and problems; come with your anxiety and fear; come with your troubles and woes, and I will help you."

He does not necessarily give us all we ask for; He does better than this. He give us what is best for us, and we may rest in this fact.

Romans 8:26-28 – Likewise the Spirit also helpeth our infirmities: for we know not what we should pray for as we ought: but the Spirit itself maketh intercession for us with groaning which cannot be uttered. And he that searcheth the hearts knoweth what is in the mind of the Spirit, because he maketh intercession for the saints according to the will of God. And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God, to them who are the called according to his purpose.



Philippians 4:6-7 – Be careful [anxious] for nothing; but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known unto God. And the peace of God, which passeth all understanding, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus.

Ephesians 3:20-21 – Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, unto him be glory in the Church by Christ Jesus, throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

STOP IT DRILL

1. You tell yourself to STOP IT! It's like a little jolt to your brain
2. Then you confess it to the Lord. Now having thoughts is not a sin. It's what you do with those thoughts that becomes sin. Are you dwelling on it or are you giving it to the Lord? So you say Lord, I am having these thoughts.....or I am worrying....or I am scared and I confess that to you Lord!
3. Then you pray and ask Him to give you the strength to think on truth!
Philippians 4:8, 2 Corinthians 10:5
4. Then memorize scripture pertaining to what you struggle with and recite it over and over again.
5. Praise Him – listen to worship music – keep a gratitude journal.

REJOICING IN HOPE OF THE GLORY OF GOD

“.....and rejoice in the hope of the glory of God” Romans 5:2

Do you recall the shepherds at Bethlehem and how they were sore afraid when the glory of the Lord shone round about them? This was a natural reaction, “for all have sinned and come short of the glory of God” Romans 3:23.

How often we sin and make fools of ourselves! It has been said that only man can be ridiculous because only man can be dignified.

When man fell from his exalted position through sin, God cursed the soil and said:

“In the sweat of thy face shalt thou eat bread, till thou return unto the ground; for out of it was thou taken: for dust thou art, and unto dust shalt thou return” Genesis 3:19

Ever since that dreadful day, man's life has been one of _____ struggle and humiliation. Everything tends to go wrong rather than right and at the end comes death, the greatest humiliation of all.

Modern man either denies or ignores sin and the Fall, but their effects are manifest on every hand. How much wiser to acknowledge our depraved condition, trust Christ as our Savior, and "rejoice" with Paul "in hope of the glory of God."

Rejoicing in the hope of the glory of God is another direct result of justification by faith.

In Romans 8:30, Paul declares that "whom He justified, them he also glorified," and in Col. 1:27, he speaks of "Christ in you" as "the hope of glory." By suffering humiliation, shame and death for us, our Lord became "the captain of our salvation," "bringing many sons unto glory" (Heb. 2:10).

For many centuries this blessed process has been going on. Already our great _____ has brought many sons to glory – not through their suffering and blood, but through HIS!

Those who have been justified by faith may rejoice with Paul and all believers "in hope of the glory of God."

Best of all, "in that day" our blessed Lord will be "glorified in His saints and.....admired in all them that believe" – 2 Thess. 1:10

REJOICING IN TRIBULATIONS ALSO

"And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience;

"And patience, experience; and experience, hope" (Rom. 5:3,4).

It should be noted here that the word rendered "glory" in Ver. 3 is not the same Greek word as that rendered "glory" in Ver. 2, where "the glory of God" is referred to. Rather it is the same Greek word as that rendered "rejoice" in Ver. 2. This is confirmed by the use of the word "also" in Ver. 3. We "rejoice in hope of the glory of God," and we "rejoice in tribulations also." This word "rejoice" is sometimes translated "boast" and sometimes "glory" in the Authorized Version. It means to exult, or rejoice triumphantly.

It is natural to rejoice in anticipation of the revelation of the glory of God, but the believer rejoices – or should rejoice – "in tribulations also."

How so? Because he knows that tribulation produces patience; and patience, experience; and experience, hope.

"Tribulation worketh patience." And patience produces experience. One does not gain experience by wishing or even praying for it. Experience comes only from the patient endurance of tribulation.



Thus James says, "Let patience have her perfect work" (Jas. 1:4). And hope! - the eager anticipation of better things to come! This is the natural consequence of the experience that comes from the patience derived from enduring tribulations. There is no other way to gain this "hope."

Had Abraham been asked to give up Isaac earlier in his life as a man of God, it would doubtless have been too much for him to accept. But by the time God required him to offer up his beloved and only son in sacrifice, Abraham had gained a great deal of _____. He had been through many a test of faith and had learned that God does not desert those who trust in Him. Thus, when the really great test came, all his questions and misgivings were committed to God, and "he that had received the promises offered up his only begotten son, of whom it was said, That in Isaac shall thy seed be called; accounting that God was able to raise him up, even from the dead; from whence also he received him in a figure" (Heb. 11:17-19). Abraham did not despair or lose hope. Rather, all the while he still looked forward with eager anticipation to the fulfillment of God's promises made so long before.

Thus "tribulation worketh patience; and patience, experience; and experience, hope."

THE LOVE OF GOD SHED ABROAD IN OUR HEARTS

"And hope maketh not ashamed; because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost, which is given unto us" (Ver. 5).

Do you long for the love of God to flood your heart and soul? Let us retrace our steps once more.

"The love of God ... shed abroad in our hearts" is the result of the hope that comes from the experience produced by patiently enduring tribulation. This "hope" that still looks to God in faith for glorious things to come "maketh not ashamed." It does not leave us embarrassed or frustrated,

"For the Scripture saith, Whosoever believeth on Him shall not be ashamed" (Rom. 10:11).

This "hope" brings us into ever-closer fellowship with God and an ever-deeper appreciation of Himself. "Hope maketh not ashamed, because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us."

What believer with even a _____ degree of Christian experience will deny that spiritual tests have brought him closer to God and have helped him to appreciate more fully His wonderful love?

Thus "we rejoice in tribulations also, knowing that tribulation worketh patience; and patience, experience; and experience, hope. And hope maketh not ashamed, because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us."

Does the world offer anything to compare with this?

Loved with everlasting love;
Led by grace that love to know;
Spirit of my God above,
Thou hast taught me it is so.

Oh, this full and perfect peace!
Oh, this transport all divine!
In a love that cannot cease,
I am His, and He is mine.

Heaven above is softer blue,
Earth around is sweeter green;
Something lives in every hue,
Christless eyes have never seen.

Birds with gladder songs o'erflow;
Flow'rs with deeper beauty shine,
Since I know, as now I know,
I am His, and He is mine.

His forever, only His;
Who the Lord and me shall part?
Ah, with what a rest of bliss,
Christ can fill the loving heart!

Heav'n and earth may fade and flee,
Firstborn light in gloom decline;
But while God and I shall be,
I am His, and He is mine.

-G. Wade Robinson



CHRIST'S DEATH FOR US DISPENSATIONALLY CONSIDERED

THE ANSWER TO MAN'S HELPLESSNESS, HIS SINFULNESS AND HIS WILLFULNESS

"For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. But God commendeth His love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. Much more, then, being now justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement." - Rom. 5:6-11

THE PERSONAL ASPECT

Three times in the above passage we read that Christ died for us, and the lesson is _____.

Ver. 6: "When we were yet without strength ... Christ died for the ungodly."

Ver. 8: "While we were yet sinners, Christ died for us."

Ver. 10: "Men we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son."

Thus, in our helplessness, in our sinfulness, yes, in our willfulness, Christ died for us.

1. "When we were yet without strength" (Ver. 6).

Rom. 5:6 views the unbeliever as one without God, and as such, utterly helpless. He cannot lift himself from his fallen state. He cannot subdue his evil passions. He cannot overcome the results of his sin. Without God he is "without strength."

But for such, thank God, Christ died. "When we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly." In infinite grace, He took the place of utter helplessness – death - with and for us, that He might bring us through with Him to resurrection life and power.

But apart from all this, heaven is God's abode, and it is for Him to tell us if and how we may be _____. He graciously does this in Rom. 5:6, where He says, "When we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly." Only as we accept this in faith may we "rejoice in hope of the glory of God" (4:25; 5:1,2).



But the passage says that "when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly," and if men object to being called helpless they surely do not generally appreciate being called "ungodly." To such we say, church-going, philanthropy, love for your family, financial integrity and all these good things do not make you godly. If I should introduce you to a friend as "a godly person," would you not be embarrassed? Yet you are offended if I call you ungodly.

But Rom. 5:6 contains wonderful news for the person who will acknowledge his ungodly state: "Christ died for the ungodly," not for some of the ungodly, or for an elect few, but "for the ungodly." From this it follows that any unsaved, ungodly hearer of these words may believe God's Word and say, "Christ died for ME."

2. "While we were yet sinners" (Ver. 8).

Sinfulness is more serious than _____. A just judge must condemn sin and exact a full penalty for it. "But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Thus God did exact the just penalty for sin as, in infinite love, He paid the debt Himself!

The preceding context renders this passage the more precious:

"For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die" (Ver. 7).

"But God commendeth His love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us" (Ver. 8).

What love! Though our sins may rise as a mountain before us, we need not despair, for every Christian believer can bear witness to the words of Paul, the chief of sinners (1 Tim. 1:15), that "while we were yet sinners Christ died for us." He died for us in our sin.

"Much more then, being now justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him" (Ver. 9).

What calm _____ should be ours as we consider that Christ died for us as sinners. Thus, having been "justified by His blood," we shall surely be saved from wrath through Him who paid the price of our redemption.

3. "When we were enemies" (Ver. 10).

Think of it! God has good news for us even in our willfulness, our enmity against Him! "When we were enemies," says Paul, "we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son."

"For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement [Lit., reconciliation]"
(Verses 10, 11).

The argument of this passage is that if, as His enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of His Son, much more "being reconciled," we may be assured that our living Savior will keep us safe. And not only are believers safe in Christ, but all the while we "joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received," not only help in our helplessness, or the forgiveness of our sins, but "the reconciliation," by which we are brought nigh to God and experience His love toward us.

Praise
THE Lord

Hallelujah

glory
to
God