

REJOICE! YOU ARE LOVED & SECURE FOREVER!

{Romans 5:5-11}

The BLESSINGS of JUSTIFICATION BY FAITH IN JESUS CHRIST ALONE. (5:1-11)

1. Because of Jesus Christ, in the *past* we have been: **JUSTIFIED BEFORE GOD.** {5:1a}
2. Because of Jesus Christ, in the *present* we have: **PEACE WITH GOD RELATIONALLY.** {5:1b}
3. Because of Jesus Christ, in the *present* we have: **UNLIMITED ACCESS INTO GOD'S SUFFICIENT AND NEEDED GRACE.** {5:2a}
4. Because of Jesus Christ, regarding the *future* we have: **THE GUARANTEE OF GLORIFICATION.** {5:2b}
5. Because of our access to God's grace, in the *present* we have: **THE OPPORTUNITY FOR SPIRITUAL GROWTH & SANCTIFICATION IN OUR TRIBULATIONS.** {5:3-4}
6. Because the _____ has been poured out in our hearts by the _____ who has been given to us in the *past*, we have the *future* _____ that _____. {5:5}
 - What does the phrase "hope does not disappoint" mean?
 - What should be noted about the Holy Spirit and the believer in Christ?
 - What are the 5 ministries of the Holy Spirit that impact you at the moment of justification / salvation?
 - What direction is this "love" referring to?
 - What scriptural truth is this verse connected to and underscoring?
7. **Because of the Triune Godhead, every believer who has been justified before & by God is _____.** {5:5-10} What does this mean? Eternal security is the biblical teaching that "those who have been actually saved by God's grace through faith alone in Jesus Christ alone shall never be in danger of God's condemnation or loss of their salvation, but they are kept forever saved and secure by God's grace and power to the glory of God". How is eternal security guaranteed in this passage?
 - a. **The indwelling *presence* of the _____ - who indwells, seals, and teaches believers of the amazing love of God.** {5:5} Consider 2 Cor. 1:21-22; Ephesians 1:13-14:
 - b. **The sacrificial *provision* of _____ - which expressed God's unconditional love through His substitutionary death for us.** {5:6-8}:
 - (1) **The *qualified definition* of God's love {agape}**: Agape love, when used to refer to God's love toward us or the believer's love toward others as the fruit of the Holy Spirit is: the mental attitude that motivates one to choose to sacrificially give of oneself for the well-being of the one loved.

(2) **The sacrificial expression of God's love:** *For* {this is connected with God's love – vs.5} *when* {while we were in the following state} *we were still* _____ {completely powerless or utterly helpless to justify ourselves or to give anything in return}, *in due time* {at exactly God's appointed time} _____ {the Messiah; the key subject of this verse} _____ {the key verb of this verse; a past reality that He voluntarily did when He paid the penalty for sin which was only made possible by becoming a sinless man} _____ {on behalf of; in the place of} *the* _____ {not the worthy or deserving; 4:5} **{5:6}** What does this teach us?

(3) **The surpassing quality of God's love:** *For* {a comparison between God's love & human love} *scarcely* {rarely} *for* {super} *a righteous* {just, upright relatively speaking} *man will one die* {generally speaking}; *yet perhaps for a good* {a good or kind person relatively speaking} *man someone would even dare to die* {if you know him / her personally}. 8 _____ *demonstrates* {continually proves or makes known} *His own* _____, *in that while we were* {still in the state of being sinners, missing the mark & in opposition to God - totally undeserving of His love}, _____ {the Messiah; the key subject of this verse} _____ {the key verb of this verse; a past reality that He voluntarily did when He paid the penalty for sin and that's a fact} _____ {on behalf of; in the place of} _____ {personally}. What does this teach us?

c. **The guaranteed promises of GOD THE FATHER. {5:9-10}**

(1) *Much more than* {over and above even these incredible grace blessings}, *having now* {when we trusted in Christ alone} *been justified* {declared righteous before God and by God in the past} *by* {by means of} _____ {His sacrificial death and payment of our sins}, *we* {who have been justified} _____ {in the future – 3rd tense of salvation, by God, and that's a fact / promise} *from* _____ {literally, 'the wrath' – the previously mentioned wrath of God or righteous punishment for sin exercised towards those not justified – 1:18, 2:5, 3:5, 3:19, 4:15} _____ {the Lord Jesus Christ who died for us}. **{5:9}** Observations about God's promise to you:

(2) *For if* {1ST} *when we were* _____ {prior to being justified and possessing peace with God in an active relationship of enmity against God} *we* {believers in Christ} *were* _____ {a changed relationship from enmity to friendship, even to family; an accomplished fact that God did for us in the past – 2 Cor. 1:18-21; Eph. 2:16; Col. 1:19-22} _____ {the goal of reconciliation is a changed relationship} *through* {how? the means was...} *the* _____, *much more, having been reconciled* {what is now guaranteed?}, *we* {believers in Christ} _____ {in the future, 3rd tense, by God, and that's a fact / promise} *by His* {resurrected} _____ {4:17, 25; 1 Cor. 15}. **{5:10}** Observations about God's promise to you:

● **How should we respond to all these amazing spiritual blessings?**

- 1) We need to _____ our spiritual position & possessions in Christ and _____ what God's Word has stated or promised about our past, present & future, regardless of our feelings.
- 2) We should _____ in _____ expressed through the finished work of our _____ for our *past* reconciliation {5:11}, for grace & purpose in our *present* tribulations {5:2-4}, and for our *future* guaranteed hope of glorification because of the Trinity. {5:5-10}