

Study Questions – Romans 5:1-21

Rom. 5:1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we exult in hope of the glory of God. ³ And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance; ⁴ and perseverance, proven character; and proven character, hope; ⁵ and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

Rom. 5:6 For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him. ¹⁰ For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. ¹¹ And not only this, but we also exult in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

Rom. 5:12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned — ¹³ for until the Law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. ¹⁴ Nevertheless death reigned from Adam until Moses, even over those who had not sinned in the likeness of the offense of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come.

Rom. 5:15 But the free gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one the many died, much more did the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abound to the many. ¹⁶ The gift is not like *that which came* through the one who sinned; for on the one hand the judgment *arose* from one *transgression* resulting in condemnation, but on the other hand the free gift *arose* from many transgressions resulting in justification. ¹⁷ For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through the one, much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.

Rom. 5:18 So then as through one transgression there resulted condemnation to all men, even so through one act of righteousness there resulted justification of life to all men. ¹⁹ For as through the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, even so through the obedience of the One the many will be made righteous. ²⁰ The Law came in so that the transgression would increase; but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more, ²¹ so that, as sin reigned in death, even so grace would reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

1. Review: Explain what “justified by faith” means in your own words.

(DOC) What do the following verses reveal concerning the relationship between “the Law” and “justified by faith”?

Romans 3:28

Gal 2:16

Gal 3:24

2. What is the result of having been justified by faith? (5:1) (A) What does it mean to you to have peace with God?

3. What have we obtained through our Lord Jesus Christ? In what do we stand? In what hope do we exult? (5:2)

(C) Briefly explain the reference to the “glory of God” in the following verses:

Psa 19:1

2Cor 4:6

John 11:40

2Cor 4:15

Acts 7:55

Phil 2:11

Rom 3:23

Rev 15:8

Rom 15:7

Rev 21:11

1Cor 10:31

Rev 21:23

(A) How can you see God’s glory revealed in this life? How are you exulting in hope of the glory of God?

4. What is the result of tribulation? Perseverance? Proven character? (5:3-4)

(A) How have you personally benefitted from suffering and tribulation?

5. Why does hope not disappoint? Through Whom has the love of God been poured out within our hearts? (5:5)

6. What did Christ do while we were still helpless? For whom did Christ die? (5:6)

7. How does God demonstrate His own love toward us? (5:7-8)

8. By what have we been justified? From what have we been saved through Christ? (5:9) (DOC) Using a Bible dictionary, define “wrath.”

9. Through what were we reconciled to God while we were enemies? Having been reconciled, by what shall we be saved? In what do we also exult? (5:10-11)

10. What entered into the world through one man and spread to all men? Why did death spread to all men? (5:12)

(C) Read Genesis 2:15-3:24. What does God say will happen if Adam ate from the fruit of the knowledge of good and evil in the garden of Eden? (cf. Gen 2:15-17)

(DOC) Explain what you know about the doctrine of original sin.

11. Explain why “sin is not imputed when there is no law” (5:13).

**12. Even before the Law was given, what reigned from Adam until Moses? (5:14)
(DOC) What is the relationship between sin and both physical and spiritual death?**

13. Explain how Adam is “a type of Him who was to come.” List the comparisons between Adam and Christ from these verses. (5:14)

14. How is the free gift not like the transgression? (5:15-16) What is the “gift”?

15. What reigned by the transgression of the one? What will reign much more through the One, Jesus Christ? (5:17) (A) How is the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness reigning in your life?

16. What resulted through one transgression to all men? What resulted through one act of righteousness and the obedience of the One? (5:18-19)

17. What was the purpose for the Law? As sin increased, what abounded all the more? (5:20) As sin reigned in death, what would reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord? (5:21) (DOC) Using a Bible dictionary, define “grace.” (A) When has God’s grace overcome the consequences of your sin?

18. What do you learn about God in Rom 5:1-21? How could you apply this truth to your life?

Write a prayer response to Rom 5:1-21: