

Saved from Sin and Death

Romans 5:1-5

Salvation =
Justification and
Sanctification and
Glorification

“Christians experience salvation in this life in both a past and present sense, and we anticipate salvation in a future sense.

Christians have been saved from the penalty of our sins; we are currently **being saved from the power of sin**; and one day, when God’s plan of salvation is completed and we are with Christ, we shall be like him, and **we shall be saved even from the presence of sin**. This is God’s plan of salvation.”

(ESV Study Bible, *God’s Plan of Salvation*)

Justification

- To be justified is to be declared righteous.
- It is a gift of grace.
- We are justified through faith in Jesus.
- By the blood of Jesus, we are forgiven of our sins.

Justification & Regeneration

While justification is what God does *for us*, in pardoning our sins through Christ, regeneration is what God does *in us*, in renewing our fallen condition through the Spirit.

The Need for Justification

“There is no one righteous, not even one...no one will be declared righteous in the sight of God by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin.” (Romans 3:10, 20)

Paul's Letter to the Romans

Beginning with chapter 5, Paul went on to describe **the fruit of justification.**

Assurance

“And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.” (5:2b)

- Hope means certainty.
- It is a confident and joyful expectation of what God has promised us.

The Glory of God

“God’s glory is the result of God expressing Himself. In other words, everything He has made and does, and the attributes, nature, and power behind those actions are His glory.”
(Paul Manwaring)

Transformed into God's glory

“And we, who with unveiled faces all reflect the Lord's glory, are being **transformed into his likeness with ever-increasing glory**, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit.”

(2 Corinthians 3:18)

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> As people justified by grace through faith, we can confidently and joyfully expect to experience the glory of God and to be transformed into it.

“Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when he appears, **we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.**” (1 John 3:2)

Peace with God

“Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have **peace with God** through our Lord Jesus Christ” (5:1)

Grace of God That Empowers

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Hope of the Glory of God

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Suffering

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(5:3-4)

Sufferings: anything that makes life harder and threatens our faith in the goodness and power of God

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Is my faith real?

One of the great obstacles to our assurance of our hope in the glory of God is the fear that that our faith is not real.

> Suffering then become **God's testing ground** where our faith is proven to be real which in turn cause us to be certain of our hope in the glory of God.

God's Love

“and hope does not put us to shame, because **God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit** who has been given to us.” (5:5)

God's love poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.

- It is an **experience**.
- Work of the **Holy Spirit**.
- It is based on what **Christ has done for us on the cross** (see Romans 5:6-8).
- It is meant to give us **joy and assurance** and to **glorify Christ**.