

Romans 5:1-11 Faith Triumphs

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<p>1. Therefore, since we have been declared righteous by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.</p> <p>2. We have also obtained access through Him by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.</p> <p>3. And not only that, but we also rejoice in our afflictions, because we know that affliction produces endurance,</p> <p>4. endurance produces proven character, and proven character produces hope.</p>	<p>V.1. FAITH (πίστις, pistis). Reliance upon and trust in God; a central emphasis of Christianity. pistis (pronounced pis'-tis) from 3982; persuasion, i.e. credence; moral conviction (of religious truth, or the truthfulness of God or a religious teacher), especially reliance upon Christ for salvation; abstractly, constancy in such profession; by extension, the system of religious (Gospel) truth itself: --assurance, belief, believe, faith, fidelity.</p> <p>Covenantal Faith: Faith as Covenantal Commitment Made right by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ</p> <p>v.2. Faith gives us <u>access</u> through Jesus into the <u>grace</u> (unmerited favor) in which we stand and rejoice in our hope of the <u>glory</u> of God. (GLORY (כבוד, kavod, קָרָה, yeqar, δόξα, doxa). A key theological term in the Bible that features in God's work of judgment, salvation, and blessing.) (In a secular sense, the Hebrew word for "glory" (כבוד, kavod) primarily means "weight," referring to something substantial (e.g., Isa 22:24). (NLT): 24 "They will give him great responsibility, and he will bring honor to even the lowliest members of his family.")</p> <p>V.3. We are to rejoice in our <u>afflictions</u>, not someone else's. Afflictions—common to all (Job 5:7; 14:1; Ps. 34:19); are for the good of men (James 1:2, 3, 12; 2 Cor. 12:7) and the glory of God (2 Cor. 12:7–10; 1 Pet. 4:14), and are to be borne with patience by the Lord's people (Ps. 94:12; Prov. 3:12). They are all directed by God (Lam. 3:33) and will result in the everlasting good of his people (2 Cor. 4:16–18) in Christ Jesus (Rom. 8:35–39).</p> <p>V.4. Endurance (Perseverance) continuance after being knocked down! Job 17:9 The righteous keep moving forward and those with clean hands become stronger and stronger! (Proven character)</p>

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<p>5. This hope will not disappoint us, because God’s love has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.</p> <p>Those Declared Righteous Are Reconciled</p> <p>6. For while we were still helpless, at the appointed moment, Christ died for the ungodly.</p> <p>7. For rarely will someone die for a just person—though for a good person perhaps someone might even dare to die.</p> <p>8. But God proves His own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us!</p> <p>9. Much more then, since we have now been declared righteous by His blood, we will be saved through Him from wrath.</p> <p>10. For if, while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, then how much more, having been reconciled, will we be saved by His life!</p> <p>11. And not only that, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ. We have now received this reconciliation through Him.</p>	<p>V. 5. I am not ashamed of waiting on God because I have HOPE! Hope-The confidence that, by integrating God’s redemptive acts in the past with trusting human responses in the present, the faithful will experience the fullness of God’s goodness both in the present and in the future. Biblical faith rests on the trustworthiness of God to keep His promises. The biblical view of hope is thus significantly different from that found in ancient Greek philosophy. (φιλοσοφία, philosophia). Literally means “the love of wisdom.”</p> <p>We have the love of God pour in our hearts by-way the Holy Spirit, who enwalled us as we accepted Jesus Christ.</p> <p>V.6. Therefore, those of us who declared righteousness are reconciled. In our helpless state, at an appointed time, Christ died for the ungodly souls that we may obtain salvation.</p> <p>V.7-8 Would you give your life for a righteous person? Perhaps! Better yet, would give your life for an unrighteous person? Christ died for both.</p> <p>The righteous and unrighteous! John 3:16 “For God so love the world that He give His only begotten Son, that whosoever, believes in Him should not Parish but have everlasting life.”</p> <p>V.9.-10. His blood made us right (declared) why? Because His blood was pure and unblemished! Hebrews 9:22 “Indeed, under the law almost everything is purified with blood, and without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness of sins” Hebrews 7:27 “He has no need, like those high priest, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people, since he did this once for all when he offered up himself.</p> <p>V.11 The ministry of reconciliation in 2 Corinthians 5:18 refers to the work believers have been given to do and the message they declare: you can have a restored relationship with God through Jesus. The verse says this: “All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation.”</p> <p>Reconciliation—a change from enmity to friendship. It is mutual, i.e., it is a change wrought in both parties who have been at enmity.</p> <p>Faith Triumphs over Evil racism and prejudice because we have the ministry of reconciliation. 1 Peter 4:8 NKJV And above all things have fervent love for one another, for “love will cover a multitude of sins.”</p> <p>Faith Triumphs over poverty because if God feeds the birds, I know He will feed me. Matthew 6:26-34</p> <p>Faith Triumphs over Sin because the bible says: “Let this mind be in you which was also inn Christ Jesus!” Phil. 2:5</p>