

WE HAVE BEEN RECONCILED TO GOD THROUGH CHRIST!

(Romans 5:6-11)

II. THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD RECEIVED: HIS JUSTIFICATION TO ALL BELIEVERS (3:21-5:21)

A. The EXPLANATION of Justification by Grace through Faith (3:21-26)

B. The DEFENSE of Justification by Grace through Faith (3:27-31)

C. The PROOF of Justification by Grace through Faith (4:1-25)

D. The BLESSINGS of Justification (5:1-11)

1. Christ demonstrated His love towards the human race...

a. We were _____, _____ (Gk. *asthenōn*) in trying to accomplish anything for ourselves. (v. 6a)

b. At the perfect _____ Jesus stepped into human _____ to complete His work. (v. 6b, cf. Gal. 4:4-5; 1 Tim. 2:6; Heb. 1:1-2; 9:26)

c. The work that was accomplished was that Jesus “*died* _____ (Gk. *huper*) *the* _____”; this preposition speaks of substitution. (v. 6c)

2. Paul uses the example, that most people do not appreciate an upright, _____ man as much as a _____ guy who is personable; but _____ (if any) are willing to die in either one’s place. (v. 7)

* Can you name someone you know for certain would die for you?

3. God’s unconditional love stands in contrast to any human love in that while we were still _____ sinners, at _____ with Him, He was willing to die “*for* (Gk. *huper*) *us*.” (v. 8)

* What should your response be to someone who asks, “How could a God of love send anyone to hell?”

4. When a believer is justified (declared righteous), he/she is _____ from the penalty of sin which is hell, and any/all of God’s future divine _____. (v. 9, cf. 1 Thess. 1:9-10; 5:9)

5. It is only logical that if we have been justified and “reconciled” (*aor./pass./indic.*) in the _____, and if we are promised to be “saved” (*fut./pass./indic.*) from God’s wrath in the _____, that we must be kept saved by God’s grace in the _____. (v. 10)

6. After considering verses 6, 8, 9, 10, 11, we definitely owe our _____, our thanksgiving, our _____ to the Lord Jesus Christ forever! (v. 11a)

7. Think about our serious condition— we were once “without _____” (v. 6a), “_____” (v. 6b), “_____” (v. 8b), who were “_____” of God (v. 10a), and yet we received “reconciliation” from the Lord’s gracious hand. (v. 11b)

* Are you thankful for what your Savior did for you at Calvary?