

Romans Chapter 5 Study Notes • While We Were Still Sinners

In the teaching several words were defined. It's important to remember how they are defined so the study of this chapter can be more fruitful. They are:

- ❑ Justified/Justification – declared righteous/acquitted
- ❑ Grace – unmerited favor or supernatural assistance
- ❑ Glory – praise and honor
- ❑ Righteous/Righteousness – right-standing before God
- ❑ Reconciliation – to restore peaceful relations

Chapter 5 is separated into two sections:

Section 1: verses 1-11 all about the blessings of our right standing with God.

Section 2: verses 12-21 A contrast between the sin of Adam with the work of Christ and the results of each

Section 1

- What is the first benefit of our right standing with God that the Apostle outlines in **verse 1**?
- **Re-read Romans 3:24-25** to remind yourself of what Jesus did to make peace between God and mankind.
- What does peace with God feel like? Is it possible for a believer to lose this peace with God? If so, how?
- What is the next benefit listed in the first part of **verse 2**?
- Who made our present grace with God possible?
- The second part of **verse 2** speaks of hope that extends into the future. What is the hope that Paul lists?
- What do you think it means to share the glory of God?
- **Verse 3** speaks of a new way to view our present circumstances. What is that new way?
- What are the benefits of our sufferings that the Apostle Paul lists in **verse 3 through 5**?
- Note: Suffering has a way of taking our eyes off the things of this life and placing them squarely on things that are eternal. We begin to hope in things beyond this life.
- In **verses 6-8** Paul writes about how God showed His love for us. What was significant about our sinful condition that makes His actions so incredible?
- Read **verses 9-11**. Define reconciliation. How have we been reconciled to God?

Section 2

- How did sin enter the world?
- What is the “free gift” that Paul writes about in **verse 15**?
- How is the free gift different from the trespass of Adam?
- In **verses 20-21** Paul contrasts what came from the Law and what came from the Cross of Christ. What is that contrast?
- What did you learn from this study that you didn't know before?