

THE EPISTLE OF PAUL THE APOSTLE TO THE  
**ROMANS**

----- Lesson 6 -----

The Benefits of Righteousness  
(Romans 5:1-11)

# THE STRUCTURE OF ROMANS

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## The Benefits of Righteousness (5:1-11)

### **Romans 5:1**

- 1 Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

In the previous lesson, we learned that in order to be made righteous, we had to be justified – washed from the stain of sin.

Now, Paul shows us seven benefits of our justification in Christ and the righteousness we have been given.



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### Colossians 1:19-22

- <sup>19</sup> For it pleased *the Father* that in him should all fulness dwell;
- <sup>20</sup> And, having made peace through the blood of his cross, by him to reconcile all things unto himself; by him, *I say*, whether *they be* things in earth, or things in heaven.
- <sup>21</sup> And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled
- <sup>22</sup> In the body of his flesh through death, to present you holy and unblameable and unproveable in his sight:



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### **Ephesians 2:18**

For through him we both have access by one Spirit unto the Father.

### **Ephesians 3:12**

In whom we have boldness and access with confidence by the faith of him.

### **Hebrews 4:16**

Let us therefore come boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy, and find grace to help in time of need.



## The Benefits of Righteousness (5:1-11)

### **Romans 5:2**

<sup>2</sup> By whom also we have access by faith into  
**this grace wherein we stand,**

If you want to stand for Christ, you  
must learn to stand in his grace.

### **2 Timothy 2:1**

Thou therefore, my son,  
be strong in the grace  
that is in Christ Jesus.





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<sup>2</sup> By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand,  
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### Colossians 3:4

<sup>4</sup> When Christ, *who is our life*, shall appear, then shall ye also appear with him in glory.



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### 1 John 3:2-3

- <sup>2</sup> Beloved, now are we the sons of God, and it doth not yet appear what we shall be: but we know that, when he shall appear, we shall be like him; for we shall see him as he is.
- <sup>3</sup> And every man that hath this hope in him purifieth himself, even as he is pure.



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### Romans 5:3-4

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- 4 And patience, experience;  
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She anticipates seeing her child with children of her own.

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### Romans 5:5

<sup>5</sup> **And hope maketh not ashamed;**  
because the love of God is shed abroad in  
our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given  
unto us.

Soon we will know that our hope was not in vain. Until then, we have the inner witness of God's love given to us by the Holy Spirit.



## The Benefits of Righteousness (5:1-11)

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The next three verses focus upon the ultimate expression of the love of God:



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We were sinners – lawless and disobedient.



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God's wrath is his righteous anger against sin. It will be on display when Jesus returns to judge the world.



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### 1 Thessalonians 5:9

For God hath not appointed us to wrath, but to obtain salvation by our Lord Jesus Christ,



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Jesus came to “deliver them who through fear of death were all their lifetime subject to bondage” (Hebrews 2:15).

Knowing we have been saved from wrath, our fear of death has been replaced with a joyful anticipation of eternity.



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The atonement is the reconciliation of God and man through the sacrificial death of Jesus Christ.

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Martin Luther called our  
justification by faith  
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This section is only eleven verses long, and so now that we have gone through it carefully, let us read it completely.



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## Questions to test your understanding of this lesson:

### Questions 1-7:

Name the seven benefits of our righteousness in Christ you studied in this lesson, and the verse they appear in.

8. In Romans 5:3-4, what are the steps from tribulation to hope?
9. In Romans 5:6-8, what are the three descriptions of our life before Christ?
10. According to Hebrews 12:3, what should we do when we grow weary and faint in our Christian walk?

Each question is worth 10 points. Do NOT share your answers with other students.



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