

## **Blessings Accompanying Justification By Faith**

(Romans 5:1-11)

Intro: Paul, you will recall, is writing to inform these Roman Christians about the gospel, the good news that God has provided justification for sinful men through the death and resurrection of His Son, Jesus Christ. He has shown that all men are sinners and stand condemned before God (1:18–3:20). **But God** has graciously provided justification—*declared us right with Himself*—as a free gift of His grace through faith in the redemption accomplished by Christ Jesus on the cross (Rom. 3:21-26). In Romans 4, Paul demonstrated that Abraham’s righteous standing before God was a free gift of His grace not derived from good works, obedience to the Law, or circumcision. Abraham’s justification was by grace through faith in God alone. He simply believed God, and it was reckoned unto him as righteousness (4:3; Gen. 15:6).

Paul continues in Romans chapter 5 by discussing the blessings or benefits that we have as believers in Jesus Christ. This chapter is divisible into two major sections: I. The blessings of our justification (vv. 1-11), and II. The basis of our justification (vv. 12-21).

### **I. The Blessings Of Our Justification (Rom. 5:1-11)**

A. Peace with God (v. 1)

B. Hope in God (vv. 2b-5)

1. Hope in the glory of God (v. 2b)

2. Hope in our tribulations (vv. 3-5)

- tribulations—
- perseverance—
- proven character—
- hope—

C. The love of God (vv. 5-8)

D. Assurance (vv. 9-11)

Conclusion: Justification by the grace of God, through the reconciliation Christ has provided for believers, has provided believers with four spiritual blessings: *peace, hope, love, and assurance*. The only question you need to answer is have you trusted in Christ alone for your salvation?