

Grace Abounds Even More Through Jesus Christ

Romans 5

Group ¹	C	V	Description
Results of Justification	5	1-5	Justification results in peace with God
		6-11	Christ died at the right time demonstrating God's love for us
		12-14	Sin and death entered through one man, Adam
		15-17	One sin resulted in death for many; many sins resulted in the gift of grace through One
		18-21	Righteousness resulted from one act of obedience by Jesus for many

Reflections

How we deal with difficult situation (tribulations) or temptations can go along way toward building character in us. Paul explains how this takes place and explains why we should exult when facing tribulations: tribulations → perseverance → proven character → hope in God's love.

Here then is the reason why we should exult (jubilant, overjoyed, rejoice)² when we face tribulations.

Romans 5:6-8 NASB For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. **7** For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die. **8** But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.

Our justification is not the result of anything that we did though. It was accomplished by Christ and then given as a gift by God to all who will believe in faith.

Romans 5:15-17 NASB But the free gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one the many died, much more did the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abound to the many. **16** The gift is not like *that which came* through the one who sinned; for on the one hand the judgment *arose* from one *transgression* resulting in condemnation, but on the other hand the free gift *arose* from many transgressions resulting in justification. **17** For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through the one, much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.

This is the same thing that James was writing about when he wrote the following.

James 1:2-4 NASB Consider it all joy, my brethren, when you encounter various trials, **3** knowing that the testing of your faith produces endurance. **4** And let endurance have *its* perfect result, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking in nothing.

Justification is a gift but the full benefit of it is worked out through our perseverance over time.

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² ("Exult")

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