

INSIDEout Series
Week 6 outline
3.21.21
Romans 5:1-11

A Heart Filled with Hope

I. Righteous by Good Behavior?

- A. Striving for our own status
- B. Precarious in our own position
- C. Boasting in our own accomplishments
- D. Ashamed of our own failures
- E. Dead in our own delusion
- F. Alienated by our own sin

II. BUT NOW Righteousness by Faith

"Therefore, since we have been justified through faith"- (vs 1a)

Six Salvation Stunners that Justification Through Faith Gifts Us:

1. Peace in our God-Transformed Hearts (vs 1)

Therefore, since we have been justified through faith we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ

-reconciled relationships with God is the primary blessing of justification

2. Standing in our God-Given Grace (vs 2a)

-Grace: is God's free and unmerited favor

-*"gained access"*: denotes the acknowledgment of our total unfitness to make our own way through our own good behavior

-*"taken our stand"*: points to a secure position in God's court

-our position in the King's throne room is not precarious. We do not have to worry about falling in and out of favor with the King

OUR STANDING IS NOT SPORADIC BUT CONTINUOUS

3. Rejoicing in our God-Glorifying Hope (vs 2b)

a. Christ-Centered hope is not uncertain or circumstantial

b. The object of our hope is the Glory of God

4. Glory in our God-Seen Suffering (vs 3-8)

- a. Suffering is the path to Glory
 - ...it was for Jesus and we follow him
- b. Suffering leads to joy in the end, and maturity in the mean time
 - 1. Suffering produces Perseverance "endurance"
 - 2. Perseverance produces Character
 - "having been tested and passed the test"
 - 3. Character produces Hope
 - because the same God who is growing the current mature character in you is the one in whom your future hope lies.
- c. Suffering is transformed by the love of God through the power of the Holy Spirit
 - 1. The Holy Spirit is a gift to all believers
 - 2. The Holy Spirit is listed as one of the consequences of justification
 - 3. One of the Holy Spirits distinct ministries is to pour out God's love into our hearts

THE FATHER'S LOVE
IS POURED INTO OUR HEARTS BY THE SPIRIT;
AND DEMONSTRATED ON THE CROSS THROUGH THE SON.

5. Life in our God-Sent Savior (vs 9-10)

In God's fullness of Love we are:

- a. Saved from the wrath of God's holy hatred of sin
- b. Saved through the death of God's Son (His blood)
- c. Saved with Him in His resurrection life

6. Reconciliation in our God-Created Relationship with Him (vs 10-11)

-The Cross is the means by which we experience justification and the mode in which we encounter reconciliation

THROUGH THE CROSS WE HAVE HOPE:
THE KING HAS EXTENDED US GRACE;
THE JUDGE HAS PRONOUNCED US RIGHTEOUS;
THE FATHER HAS WELCOMED US HOME.