

CALVARY BIBLE CHURCH

“Studies in the Book of Romans - 09

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Text: Rom. 5:1-21

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ARE YOU JUSTIFIED FOREVER?

INTRODUCTION Paul has finished telling us about the wonderful work of salvation available to all sinners, both Jew and Gentile. He further illustrated this in the great Old Testament saints, both Abraham and King David. Now Paul proceeds to tell us that this salvation brought about by our justification before God has many benefits, and the greatest of all is its permanence. Let's look at Paul's positive report of God's mercy and grace extended to repentant sinners, as we see,

I. THE PERFECTION OF OUR JUSTIFICATION – (5:1-5)

- A) Its Result - “*the believer has peace with God*”
- B) Its Reach - “*the believer is protected by God*”

II. THE PERMANENCE OF OUR SALVATION – (5:6-11)

- A) Saved by His Death – “*Christ's work on the cross*”
- B) Saved by His Life – “*Christ's work in Heaven*”

III. THE PENALTY OF OUR CONDEMNATION – (5:12-21)

- A) Adam's Ruin – “*Condemnation in Adam*”
- B) Christ's Restoration – “*Justification in Christ*”

CONCLUSION: Although some through serious misunderstanding of their salvation experience believe one can lose their salvation standing before God; Paul forever denies this, by his teachings of the fullness and legal standing every believer has in Christ. How wonderful it is to know for sure that once we are saved, we are forever God's child, and all will enter the glory of Heaven and the presence of God, and enjoy Him forever. As this is so, has it changed your life and energized you to live for Him here and now? If not, take hold of so great salvation and begin today a life that lives for and glorifies our great Savior and Lord, Jesus Christ.

TEXT FOR MESSAGE

The New International Version

Rom 5:1-21 (NIV) Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, 2 through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. 3 Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; 4 perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.

6 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. 7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! 10 For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! 11 Not only is this so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

12 Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned-- 13 for before the law was given, sin was in the world. But sin is not taken into account when there is no law. 14 Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who was a pattern of the one to come. 15 But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many! 16 Again, the gift of God is not like the result of the one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification. 17 For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ. 18 Consequently, just as the result of one trespass was condemnation for all men, so also the result of one act of righteousness was justification that brings life for all men. 19 For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous. 20 The law was added so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, 21 so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.