

“Justification through Faith”

Introduction

Have you ever desired to have true peace in your life? If you could have “true” peace, what might that look like? In today’s lesson, we learn that true peace can be found in God through Jesus Christ. Faith in Christ justifies us in the sight of God. And being justified by faith gives us peace with God.

Today’s Lesson Objectives

- **Identify** the relationship between faith in Christ and justification in the sight of God
- **Repent** of personal failures to obtain the peace that God gives
- **Celebrate** our justification through faith in Christ

Scripture

Romans 5:1-11 (KJV)

Devotional Reading:

Isaiah 53:1-12 (KJV)

About Today’s Lesson...

What an awesome God we serve! From the moment we give our lives to Christ, justification becomes the initial blessing of our salvation. And it is through faith that we are justified. Because of Jesus’ work on the cross, the veil of separation fell and this gave us the undeserved privilege of standing in God’s presence. Through the blood of Jesus, believers are reconciled with God.

In this lesson, the Apostle Paul speaks of the blessing that comes from God to all who have been justified by faith. When we are justified by faith, we have the privilege of peace with God. When we are justified by faith, God pronounces us “not guilty” and draws us closer to himself. When we are justified by faith, we are undeservedly able to stand in the presence of God. And when we are justified by faith, we can rejoice because of the indwelling of the Holy Spirit.

We also find in today’s scripture additional comfort, for we recognize that we also have reason to rejoice when tribulations arise. The Apostle Paul tells us that “...tribulation worketh patience; And patience, experience; and experience, hope:” (Romans 5:3-4). Justification through faith strengthens our confident hope of salvation.

Faith brings joy. And as believers, we should rejoice daily because of the deep love God has for us. “For God so loved the world...” (John 3:16). And Romans 5: 8 says “But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us”. Given God’s great love for us, we should repent and celebrate our justification through faith in Christ Jesus.

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