

Romans 5:5-11

Security with God Pt. 7

- 5 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³ And not only *that*, but we also glory in tribulations, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; ⁴ and perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ Now hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.
- ⁶ For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹ Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. ¹⁰ For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. ¹¹ And not only *that*, but we also rejoice in God

through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

Introduction:

John 6:37–39 (NKJV)

³⁷ All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out. ³⁸ For I have come down from heaven, not to do My own will, but the will of Him who sent Me. ³⁹ This is the will of the Father who sent Me, that of all He has given Me I should lose nothing, but should raise it up at the last day.

John 10:27–30 (NKJV)

²⁷ My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me. ²⁸ And I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish; neither shall anyone snatch them out of My hand. ²⁹ My Father, who has given *them* to Me, is greater than all; and no one is able to snatch *them* out of My Father's hand. ³⁰ I and My Father are one.”

Review

1. Peace with God

5 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

2. Access to God

² through whom also we have access by faith into this grace

3. Stand in Grace

² through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand,

4. Rejoice in hope

² through whom also we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

5. Rejoice in Tribulation

³ And not only *that*, but we also glory in **tribulations**, **knowing** that **tribulation produces perseverance**; ⁴ and perseverance, **character**; and character, hope.

6. The Outpouring of God's Love

The Holy Spirit is a guarantee that God loves us

⁵ Now hope does **not disappoint**, because the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

Lesson

1. The Holy spirit was given to us

Ephesians 1:13–14 (NKJV)

¹³ In Him you also *trusted*, after you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation; in whom also, having believed, you were sealed with the Holy Spirit of promise, ¹⁴ who is the guarantee of our inheritance until the redemption of the purchased possession, to the praise of His glory.

2 Corinthians 1:22

²² who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

Titus 3:4–7 (NKJV)

⁴ But when the kindness and the love of God our Savior toward man appeared, ⁵ not by works of righteousness which we have done, but according to His mercy He saved us, through the washing of regeneration and renewing of the Holy Spirit, ⁶ whom He poured out on us abundantly through Jesus Christ our Savior, ⁷ that having been justified by His grace we should become heirs according to the hope of eternal life.

Ephesians 4:30 (NKJV)

³⁰ And do not grieve the Holy Spirit of God, by whom you were sealed for the day of redemption.

2 Corinthians 5:4–5 (NKJV)

⁴ For we who are in *this* tent groan, being burdened, not because we want to be unclothed, but further clothed, that mortality may be swallowed up by life. ⁵ Now He who has prepared us for this very thing *is* God, who also has given us the Spirit as a guarantee.

How do we know the spirit of God is within us

Romans 8:13–17 (NKJV)

¹³ For if you live according to the flesh you will die; but if by the Spirit you put to death the deeds of the body, you will live. ¹⁴ For as many as are led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God. ¹⁵ For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, “Abba, Father.” ¹⁶ The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, then heirs— heirs of God and joint heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with *Him*, that we may also be glorified together.

1 John 4:13 (NKJV)

¹³ By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit.

Ephesians 5:18–21 (NKJV)

¹⁸ And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, ¹⁹ speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your heart to the Lord, ²⁰ giving thanks always for all things to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, ²¹ submitting to one another in the fear of God.

Galatians 5:16

¹⁶ I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfill the lust of the flesh.

Galatians 5:22–23

²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

These all arise from within

2. Christ Reconciled Us

Romans 5:6

6 For when we were **still without strength**, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

εἶ γε Χριστὸς ὄντων ἡμῶν ἀσθενῶν ἔτι κατὰ καιρὸν ὑπὲρ ἀσεβῶν ἀπέθανεν.

ὄντων

Tense: Present

Mood: Participle

Voice: Active

1510 *eimí* (the basic Greek verb **which expresses being, i.e. "to be"**) – **am, is.** (*eimí*), and its counterparts, (properly) convey "straight-forward" **being (existence, i.e. without explicit limits).**

still without strength

asthenés (an adjective, derived from **1 /A "without" and *sthenos*, "vigor, strength"**) – properly, without vigor, living in a **state of weakness (depletion)**. **722** (*arotrióō*) refers to a *lack of necessary resources*

("insufficient") – literally, "without adequate strength" and hence "frail, feeble (sickly)."

still

éti (an adverb) – properly, *continue (remain)*.

Ephesians 2:1–3 (NKJV)

2 And you *He made alive*, who were dead in trespasses and sins, ² in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, ³ among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others.

Colossians 2:13 (NKJV)

¹³ And you, being dead in your trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, He has made alive together with Him, having forgiven you all trespasses,

Titus 3:3 (NKJV)

³ For we ourselves were also once foolish, disobedient, deceived, serving various lusts and pleasures, living in malice and envy, hateful and hating one another.

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in due time

2540 *kairós* – time as opportunity. 2540 /*kairós* ("**opportune time**") is derived from *kara* ("head") referring to things "coming to a head" to take full-advantage of. 2540 (*kairós*) is "**the suitable time, the right moment**" (e.g. Soph., *El.* 1292), a favorable moment" (DNNT, 3, 833).

ungodly.

asebēs (an adjective which is the negation of 4576 /*sébomai*, "**to respect**") – properly, **lack of reverence ("without due respect")**, i.e. **failing to honor what is sacred** – especially in the *outward* (ceremonial) sense.

[765 (*asebēs*) is the antonym (opposite) of 4576 / *sébomai* ("respecting what is holy").]

Who are the ungodly — US

2 Peter 2:5–6

⁵ and did not spare the ancient world, but saved Noah, *one of eight people*, a preacher of righteousness, bringing in the **flood on the world of the ungodly**;
⁶ and turning the cities of **Sodom and Gomorrah** into

ashes, condemned *them* to destruction, making *them* an example to those who afterward would live ungodly;

2 Peter 3:7

⁷ But the heavens and the earth *which* are now preserved by the same word, are **reserved for fire** until the day of judgment and perdition of **ungodly men**.

⁷ For **scarcely** for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps **for** a good man someone would **even dare** to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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The is an axiom, self evident truth.

scarcely

mólis (from *mogos*, "toil) – properly, **something happening with great difficulty**, i.e. *hardly* ("scarcely"). /*mólis* ("what barely happens") emphasizes the **slight margin by which something comes to pass**, i.e. because it is so *difficult*.

/*mógis* (from *mogos*, "**laborious toil**") **focuses on the prolonged nature of a difficulty.**

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for ὑπὲρ

even dare

áxa (from 5036 /*taxýs*, "promptly") – properly, *swiftly* (without unnecessary delay) – hence, "*quick* to assume as true" ("perhaps"). See 5035 (*taxy*).

But what is *also true by implication* of this verse is that **nobody will die for a bad person**, especially as bad as these are shown in scripture

⁸ But God **demonstrates** His own love toward us, in that while **we were** still sinners, Christ died for us.

demonstrates *synistáō* (from 4862 /sýn, "union, together *with*" and 2476 /hístēmi, "to stand") – properly, "stand together," referring to facts "lining up" with each other to *support* (**commend**) **something**.
prove, exhibit

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[Young's Literal Translation](#)

and God doth commend His own love to us, that, in our **being still sinners**, Christ did die for us;

sinners,

Definition: sinning, sinful, **depraved, detestable**.

Cognate: 268 *hamartōlós* (a substantival adjective, derived from 264 /*hamartánō*, "to forfeit by missing the mark") – properly, *loss from* **falling short of what God approves, i.e. what is "wide of the mark"; a blatant sinner**.

This is magnified in the next 2 verses by the terms

1. **Saved from Wrath**
2. **we were enemies**

9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be **saved from wrath** through Him.

10 For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God

Lets take them in reverse order but in logical order

What kind of sinners are we

1. Ungodly v. 6
2. Enemies v. 10

Enemies

For if when

ei (a conditional conjunction) – *if*. 1487 /*ei* (followed by any verb) expresses "a condition, **thought of as real**, or to denote *assumptions*" (i.e. viewed as factual)

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Enemies

exthros – **someone openly hostile** (at enmity), animated by **deep-seated hatred**. 2190/*exthros* ("enemy"), implies **irreconcilable hostility, proceeding out of a "personal" hatred bent on inflicting harm** (DNTT).

from echthos (hatred)

The word is used in the LXX for a. enemies in war among the Gentiles,

Foerster, W. (1964–). [ἐχθρός, ἔχθρα](#). G. Kittel, G. W. Bromiley, & G. Friedrich (Eds.), *Theological dictionary of the New Testament* (electronic ed., Vol. 2, p. 812). Grand Rapids, MI: Eerdmans.

Psalms 139:21–22 (NKJV)

21 Do I not hate them, O Lord, who hate You?

And do I not loathe those who rise up against

You?

²² I hate them with perfect hatred;
I count them my enemies.

Romans 8:7 (NKJV)

⁷ Because the carnal mind *is* enmity against God; for it is not subject to the law of God, nor indeed can be.

Colossians 1:21 (NKJV)

²¹ And you, who once were alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now He has reconciled

The way enemy was understood in the OT. is through

“God’s command for their forefathers to drive out the Canaanites, Midianites, Moabites, Ammonites, and other pagan peoples as they conquered and possessed the Promised Land under Joshua (Josh. 3:10; cf. Ex. 33:2; Deut. 7:1; etc.). (the) ancient inhabitants of Palestine were among the most vile, corrupt, and depraved known to history. They were unbelievably immoral, cruel, and idolatrous. Human sacrifice was common among them, and even one’s own children were sometimes burned alive as an offering to their pagan deities. They were a cancer that had to be cut out in order to save God’s people from utter moral and spiritual corruption.

“The wars of Israel,” writes Dietrich Bonhoeffer, “were the only ‘holy wars’ in history, for they were the wars of God against the world of idols.(The Cost of Discipleship, trans. R. H. Fuller [2d rev. ed.; Philadelphia: Westminster, 1960], p. 163).

MacArthur, J. F., Jr. (1985). *Matthew* (Vol. 1, pp. 341–342). Chicago: Moody Press.

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wrath —-*orgḗ* (from *orgáō*, "to teem, **swelling up** to constitutionally oppose") – properly, **settled anger** (*opposition*), i.e. rising up from an ongoing (fixed) opposition.

if saved from wrath, then.... we were under wrath

John 3:36 (NKJV)

³⁶ He who believes in the Son has everlasting life; and he who does not believe the Son shall not see life, but **the wrath of God** abides on him.”

Romans 1:18 (NKJV)

¹⁸ For **the wrath of God** is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,

Romans 4:15 (NKJV)

¹⁵ because the law brings about wrath; for where there is no law *there is* no transgression.

Galatians 3:10 (NKJV)

¹⁰ For as many as are of the works of the law are under the curse; for it is written, “*Cursed is everyone who does not continue in all things which are written in the book of the law, to do them.*”

Ephesians 2:2–3 (NKJV)

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There is

1. Eschatological Wrath
2. Eternal Wrath

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1 Thessalonians 1:9–10 (NKJV)

⁹ For they themselves declare concerning us what manner of entry we had to you, and how you turned to God from idols to serve the living and true God, ¹⁰ and

to wait for His Son from heaven, whom He raised from the dead, *even* Jesus who delivers us from the wrath to come.

1 Thessalonians 5:1–2 (NKJV)

5 But concerning the times and the seasons, brethren, you have no need that I should write to you. ² For you yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so comes as a thief in the night.

1 Thessalonians 5:9 (NKJV)

⁹ For God did not appoint us to wrath, but to obtain salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ,

Revelation 6:12–17 (NKJV)

¹² I looked when He opened the sixth seal, and behold, there was a great earthquake; and the sun became black as sackcloth of hair, and the moon became like blood.

¹³ And the stars of heaven fell to the earth, as a fig tree drops its late figs when it is shaken by a mighty wind.

¹⁴ Then the sky receded as a scroll when it is rolled up, and every mountain and island was moved out of its place.

¹⁵ And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains, ¹⁶ and said to the mountains and rocks, “Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! ¹⁷ For the great **day of His wrath has come**, and who is able to stand?”

Revelation 8:6–9:5 (NKJV)

⁶ So the seven angels who had the seven trumpets prepared themselves to sound.

First Trumpet: Vegetation Struck

⁷ The first angel sounded: And hail and fire followed, mingled with blood, and they were thrown to the earth. And a third of the trees were burned up, and all green grass was burned up.

Second Trumpet: The Seas Struck

⁸ Then the second angel sounded: And *something* like a great mountain burning with fire was thrown into the sea, and a third of the sea became blood. ⁹ And a third of the living creatures in the sea died, and a third of the ships were destroyed.

Third Trumpet: The Waters Struck

¹⁰ Then the third angel sounded: And a great star fell from heaven, burning like a torch, and it fell on a third of the rivers and on the springs of water. ¹¹ The name of the star is Wormwood. A third of the waters became wormwood, and many men died from the water, because it was made bitter.

Fourth Trumpet: The Heavens Struck

¹² Then the fourth angel sounded: And a **third of the sun was struck, a third of the moon, and a third of the stars**, so that a third of them were darkened. A third of the day did not shine, and likewise the night.

¹³ And I looked, and I heard an angel flying through the midst of heaven, saying with a loud voice, "Woe, woe, woe to the inhabitants of the earth, because of the remaining blasts of the trumpet of the three angels who are about to sound!"

Fifth Trumpet: The Locusts from the Bottomless Pit

9 Then the fifth angel sounded: And I saw a star fallen from heaven to the earth. To him was given the key to the **bottomless pit**. ² And he opened the bottomless pit, and smoke arose out of the pit like the smoke of a great furnace. So the sun and the air were darkened because of the smoke of the pit. ³ Then out of the smoke **locusts came upon the earth**. And to them was given power, as the scorpions of the earth have power. ⁴ They were commanded not to harm the grass of the earth, or any green thing, or any tree, but only those men who do not have the seal of God on their foreheads. ⁵ And **they were not given *authority* to kill them, but to torment them *for* five months. Their torment *was* like the torment of a scorpion when it strikes a man.**

Revelation 16:1–14 (NKJV)

16 Then I heard a loud voice from the temple saying to the seven angels, "Go and pour out the bowls of the wrath of God on the earth."

First Bowl: Loathsome Sores

² So the first went and poured out his bowl upon the earth, and a **foul and loathsome sore came upon the men** who had the mark of the beast and those who worshiped his image.

Second Bowl: The Sea Turns to Blood

³ Then the second angel poured out his bowl on the sea, and it became blood as of a dead *man*; and every living creature in the sea died.

Third Bowl: The Waters Turn to Blood

⁴ Then the third angel poured out his bowl on the rivers and springs of water, and they became blood. ⁵ And I heard the angel of the waters saying:

“You are righteous, O Lord,
The One who is and who was and who is to be,
Because You have judged these things.

⁶ For they have shed the blood of saints and prophets,
And You have given them blood to drink.
For it is their just due.”

⁷ And I heard another from the altar saying, “Even so, Lord God Almighty, true and righteous are Your judgments.”

Fourth Bowl: Men are Scorched

⁸ Then the fourth angel poured out his bowl on the sun, and power was given to him to scorch men with fire. ⁹ And men were scorched with great heat, and they blasphemed the name of God who has power over these plagues; and they did not repent and give Him glory.

Fifth Bowl: Darkness and Pain

¹⁰ Then the fifth angel poured out his bowl on the throne of the beast, and his kingdom became full of darkness; and they gnawed their tongues because of the pain. ¹¹ They blasphemed the God of heaven because of their pains and their sores, and did not repent of their deeds.

Sixth Bowl: Euphrates Dried Up

¹² Then the sixth angel poured out his bowl on the great river Euphrates, and its water was dried up, so that the way of the kings from the east might be prepared. ¹³ And I saw three unclean spirits like frogs *coming* out of the mouth of the dragon, out of the mouth of the beast, and out of the mouth of the false prophet. ¹⁴ For they are **spirits of demons, performing signs, which go out to the kings of the earth and of the whole world, to gather them to the battle of that great day of God Almighty.**

2. Eternal Wrath

Revelation 20:11–15 (NKJV)

The Great White Throne Judgment

¹¹ Then I saw a great white throne and Him who sat on it, from whose face the earth and the heaven fled away. And there was found no place for them. ¹² And I saw the dead, small and great, standing before God, and books were opened. And another book was opened, which is *the Book of Life*. And the dead were judged according to their works, by the things which were written in the books. ¹³ The sea gave up the dead who were in it, and Death and Hades delivered up the dead who were in them. And they were judged, each one according to his works. ¹⁴ Then Death and Hades were cast into the lake of fire. This is the second death.

¹⁵ And anyone not found written in the Book of Life was cast into the lake of fire.

Now we can see our true condition and the wrath we were due and the Love of God for the sinner is that much greater in our understanding

Romans 5:6-8

v.⁶For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

John 15:13 (NKJV)

¹³ **Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends.**

1 John 3:16 (NKJV)

¹⁶ By this we know love, because He laid down His life for us. And we also ought to lay down *our* lives for the brethren.

1 John 4:9–10 (NKJV)

⁹ In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son *to be* the propitiation for our sins.

Isaiah 53:5–6 (NKJV)

⁵ But He *was* wounded for our transgressions,
He was bruised for our iniquities;
The chastisement for our peace *was* upon Him,
And by His stripes we are healed.
⁶ All we like sheep have gone astray;
We have turned, every one, to his own way;
And the Lord has laid on Him the iniquity of us all.

1 Peter 3:18 (NKJV)

¹⁸ For Christ also suffered once for sins, the just for the unjust, that He might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive by the Spirit,