

Romans 5 Review

Key Scriptures

Romans 5 (Use your own Bibles)

Romans 5:1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

Philippians 4:8 ⁸ Finally, brethren, whatever things are true, whatever things are noble, whatever things are just, whatever things are pure, whatever things are lovely, whatever things are of good report, if there is any virtue and if there is anything praiseworthy-- meditate on these things.

2 Corinthians 10:3-5 ³ For though we walk in the flesh, we are not waging war according to the flesh. ⁴ For the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh but have divine power to destroy strongholds. ⁵ We destroy arguments and every lofty opinion raised against the knowledge of God, and take every thought captive to obey Christ,

Romans 12:2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.

Key Point: Your thought soundtracks get better, the more you understand and believe about your salvation.

TALK IT OVER

Start talking: Pick a conversation starter for your group.

- If you were to receive an inheritance of over 50 million dollars, how do you think it would change your life? For the better or worse? What do you think you would do with it?

Start thinking. Ask questions to get your group thinking.

- Kyle used two examples to explain how we use representatives and how they are found in Scripture as well. Can you remember the examples? Can you think of any other examples?
- Romans 5:1 declares that the Christian has been justified by faith. What are some of the results of that justification?
- How does “peace with God” translate in the believer’s life into the practical realm of living? Should those who have “peace with God” also manifest a greater sense of personal peace, contentment, or tranquility in their daily lives? Why or why not?
- If it is true that tribulation leads to perseverance, character, and hope, (Romans 5:3-5) why are we so averse to experiencing tribulation? How can Christians develop a “long view” toward life, incorporating the reality of tribulation and suffering as a contributor to spiritual formation and godliness?

Start sharing. Choose a question to create openness.

- How do you think the example of Christ dying for us while we were sinners (Rom. 5:8) impact our relationships with other people?
- Kyle listed a number of soundtracks that are true because we are in Christ. Can you add to this?
 - Peace with God is based on something God has done, not how I feel.
 - Tribulation has a purpose in God’s plan for my life.
 - What I have gained in Christ is far more than what I lost in Adam.

Start doing. Commit to a step and live it out this week!

- Which thoughts do you need to dismiss and retire?

Prayer Requests. It may be helpful to pray the scriptures back to God.

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