

Text: Romans 5

Subject: Understanding “Reconciliation”

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.

Romans 5:9-11

INTRODUCTION

1. Consider the Ramifications of the Doctrine of “Justification”

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| a) Peace with God | Romans 5:1 |
| b) Access to God by faith | Romans 5:2a |
| c) Hope of the glory of God | Romans 5:2b |

2. There are deeper truths to be discovered

- a) These are clearly stated
- b) They are to be studied carefully

TWO ASPECTS OF JUSTIFICATION HIGHLIGHTED

1. Faith

“Justified by Faith” *Romans 5:1*

2. The Blood of the Lord

“Justified by His blood” *Romans 5:9*

3. They are

- a) Complementary
- b) Not contradictory
- c) Both are correct statements of truth

ANOTHER IMPORTANT RAMIFICATION

1. Reconciled to God

- a) Once, estranged
- b) Far from God
- c) Now, reconciled to God

2. Saved from wrath

- a) Saved from the wrath of God
- b) The anger of God has been removed

3. Saved by His life

- a) Saved by the Lord Jesus
- b) Saved by His life
 - i) His death
 - ii) His resurrection
- c) Complete in the Lord Colossians 2:10

UNDERSTANDING “RECONCILIATION”

1. We are to “rejoice” in our Reconciliation

- a) We are to rejoice in God
- b) And to rejoice in the Lord Jesus for it was through Him we have Reconciliation

2. We are to appreciate afresh our Reconciliation

- a) We were once “enemies” of God
- b) Now we are fully and gloriously Justified
- c) We have every reason to rejoice in our Reconciliation

CHALLENGING LESSONS

1. To practise Rejoicing in God
2. To cultivate our Reconciled relationship with God
3. To deepen our Faith in the Lord