

○ Romans 5:1-5 recap from last week: We are "right" with God because of our faith (in the finished work of the Cross). And because of our faith, God imputes on us His Grace; which is "sealed" in us through the Holy Spirit who is placed in us the moment we believe.

Romans 5:6 "At just the right time" is rich enough material to create 70 or 80 sermons! In several scriptures Jesus said "My hour has not yet come", or it is implied that it was not yet His time. (John 2:4, 7:30, 8:20, and implied 7:6, 7:8. And in John 12:23, 17:1 He says, "My time/hour has come). We saw in the last three sermons that: Moses time had not come till he was 80, Abraham till he was 100, Joseph probably close to 40 years (sold at 17, 13 years in Potiphar's household & prison, at least 7 years of plenty and about 2 years in to famine), Israel was captive in Egypt for about 400 years before God felt they were sizable enough to form a special nation of people, (interestingly enough the Lord thought it necessary to have 400 years of silence before introducing the Savior to the world, so far God has seen fit to have the "time of the Gentiles", "the age of Grace" to be approximately 1,954-1991 years depending on if we see 33 A.D. or 70 A.D. as the starting point and on and on and on. God's timing is always perfect and always yields the best result!

Romans 5:7-8 God's ways are unfathomably beautiful in that He sacrificed All/His best for sinners, whereas in best case scenarios humans would sacrifice themselves for worthy causes only.

← (see also later added note on being removed from God's anger)
Romans 5:9 Since the first sacrifice in the Garden of Eden (In Genesis 3:1) till the "Cross" the shedding of blood was necessary for the remission of sins. From the "Cross" the shed blood of Jesus Christ's, one time spilling, counted as sanctification/purification for any and all that would allow it to cover them by faith.

Romans 5:10 "because Christ lives" simply states that Jesus over came sin (death). This was done by the Holy Spirit and the same Holy Spirit that raised Him from the dead raises us from the dead (Read Romans 8:11, Ephesians 1:3-7 off ^{Print} out)

Romans 5:11: because of Jesus' work, never ours!
 (paraphrasing)

Romans 5:12 Because of Adam's sin in the Garden, death and decay entered any one whose lineage came from Adam. And since every person's blood type traces back to Adam all are cursed. The only human ever born without sin tainted blood was Jesus the Christ. His blood was Holy since it came from the Holy Spirit who over-shadowed Mary. Born of Mary, but with the blood type only of His Father. (See Luke 1:35 ^{Print}_{out}).

Romans 5:13+14 "became a pattern of the Messiah (Jesus)" means that by one man all became sin filled, but that by One Man all could become sin cleansed.

Roman 5:15 again, this points to the "Seed" of the woman as promised in Genesis 3:15 (NIV & NKJV) or the "Son" of the woman (N.I.R.V)

(side note: advanced Bible Study always involves looking at different translations of God's Word. For example, the NKJV is an excellent source for seeing "Diety (or God)" by the fact that it is always capitalized. Especially when looking for the pre-incarnate

Jesus Christ in the Old Testament. Example: "Angel of the LORD" is God the Son in the old testament, whereas angel of the Lord is someone like Gabriele, or Michael. (See Genesis 16:7-13 and Genesis 22:11-17 ^{Print}_{out}).

Other times when "Angel of the LORD" appears in the Old Testament: Exodus 3:2-4, Numbers 22:22-38,

Judges 2:1-3, Judges 6:11-23, Judges 13:3-22, Zechariah 1:12.

Of course "LORD" is always God the Son/preincarnet Christ and is found 6,823 times in almost all translations.

"LORD" is only found in the Old Testament because it is not needed in the New Testament. In the New Testament it is named "Jesus". (Same thing).

Romans 5:16-18 "God's gift" is offering up His Son. Which not only cleanses us back into the presence of God but also gives us the status us being worthy to reign and rule WITH Christ Jesus in His kingdom! (verse 17)

Romans 5:19 "But one Man did obey".... The words "Not My will but Thine be done" was that very obedience!

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Romans 5:20 + 21 that "sin would increase" implying that because of the "law" (the 10 Commandments and the Levitical laws) God made it possible for sin to increase. But that's not what is meant. It is better to understand this as the "law" was to show mankind that the harder they tried to live by the law in their own works, the more their sin would abound. Without Christ our good works are just us adding more "filthy rags" to the pile of our unrighteousness.

(as we covered on Study page 11) and the Scriptures associated with it.)

Romans 6:1-7 (paraphrasing): Yes, we are forever freed from the branding of being a sinner, but that is not a license to freely sin. The "cost" of our sin caused Jesus to be tortured to death and then rejected by His Father. Our sin, not His, caused that. So why would we want to heap additional pain and suffering on Him by purposely sinning? And although the old sin nature will ever DECREASINGLY remain active it is never to be purposefully acted upon! Verse 6:

our old sin nature was purchased, and nailed to the cross, by Christ.

Romans 6:8-10 "When we died with Christ": In God's eyes our sin nature died when Jesus did. That's the 2nd part of the Gospel. The first, is the payment, and that was Jesus placing Himself on the Cross on our behalf. The Second, is the sentence of the guilty verdict being carried out by the execution of the guilty Party. The Third, is the restoring/exoneration of ourselves to God by the resurrection. Like 1 Corinthians 15:1-4 so clearly state; all three are the Gospel (the good news) that save us.

Romans 6:11: PAID-IN-FULL (and viewed as flawless in God's sight)

Romans 6:12. We are no longer powerless to sin. "He" who lives in us is greater than he who lives in the world. Before we were sealed, and indwelt, by and with the Holy Spirit, sin was stronger than us. But now, the Person of the Holy Spirit indwells us and He exponentially and conclusively is the highest power of all. Sin can not have power over us anymore, and we shouldn't let it!