

The Hope of His Glory

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(Rom 5:1 KJV) Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:

(Rom 5:2 KJV) By whom also we have access by faith into this grace wherein we stand, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

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A. The Faith of Abraham

(Rom 4:16 NLT) So that's why faith is the key! God's promise is given to us as a free gift. And we are certain to receive it, whether or not we follow Jewish customs, if we have faith like Abraham's. For Abraham is the father of all who believe.

(Rom 4:17 NLT) That is what the Scriptures mean when God told him, "I have made you the father of many nations." This happened because Abraham believed in the God who brings the dead back to life and who brings into existence what didn't exist before.

(Rom 4:18 NLT) When God promised Abraham that he would become the father of many nations, Abraham believed him. God had also said, "Your descendants will be as numerous as the stars," even though such a promise seemed utterly impossible!

(Rom 4:19 NLT) And Abraham's faith did not weaken, even though he knew that he was too old to be a father at the age of one hundred and that Sarah, his wife, had never been able to have children.

(Rom 4:20 NLT) Abraham never wavered in believing God's promise. In fact, his faith grew stronger, and in this he brought glory to God.

(Rom 4:21 NLT) He was absolutely convinced that God was able to do anything he promised.

B. Righteousness is of faith.

(Rom 4:22 NLT) And because of Abraham's faith, God declared him to be righteous.

(Rom 4:23 NLT) Now this wonderful truth--that God declared him to be righteous--wasn't just for Abraham's benefit.

(Rom 4:24 NLT) It was for us, too, assuring us that God will also declare us to be righteous if we believe in God, who brought Jesus our Lord back from the dead.

(Rom 4:25 NLT) He was handed over to die because of our sins, and he was raised from the dead to make us right with God.

3. Because of faith in the blood of Jesus, we have access to grace and glory.

(Rom 5:1 NLT) Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.

(Rom 5:2 NLT) Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of highest privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory.

4. The place of highest privilege

(Rom. 5:1 AMP) - Therefore, since we are justified, (acquitted, declared righteous, and given right standing with God) through faith, let us (grasp the fact that we) have (the peace of reconciliation to hold and to enjoy) peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ (the Messiah, the Anointed One)

(Rom 5:2 AMP) - Through Him also we have (our) access (entrance, introduction) by faith into this grace (state of God's favor) in which we (firmly and safely) stand. And let us rejoice and exult in our hope of experiencing and enjoying the glory of God.

Exult: Revel, gloat, wallow (flounder, stagger, and reel)