Romans 5:1-21 **Personal application – Imputed Righteousness**

Peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ

1 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.

Glory 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. 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.

Ultimate Sacrifice – Christ died for the Ungodly granting reconciliation

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.

Adam brought sin – Christ brought Righteousness

12 Therefore, just as through one man sin entered the world, and death through sin, and thus death spread to all men, because all sinned—13 (For until the law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law. 14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over those who had not sinned according to the likeness of the transgression of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come. 15 But the free gift is not like the offense. For if by the one man's offense many died, much more the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abounded to many. 16 And the gift is not like that which came through the one who sinned. For the judgment which came from one offense resulted in condemnation, but the free gift which came from many offenses resulted in justification. 17 For if by the one man's offense death reigned through the one, much more those who receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.) 18 Therefore, as through one man's offense judgment came to all men, resulting in condemnation, even so through one Man's righteous act the free gift came to all men, resulting in justification of life. 19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made sinners, so also by one Man's obedience many will be made righteous.

The purpose of the Law

20 Moreover the law entered that the offense might abound. But where sin abounded, grace abounded much more, 21 so that as sin reigned in death, even so grace might reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord. NKJV

Facts Revealed:

Peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ [Romans 5:1-2]

- ♦ Source of Peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ:
 - ♦ Justified by Faith.
 - ♦ Access to God by faith through Jesus into this grace in which we stand.

♦ We Rejoice in the hope of the Glory of God.

Glory in Tribulation for its Benefits [Romans 5:3-5]

- † Glory in knowledge and hope of the outcome of Tribulation:
 - ♦ Tribulation produces patience.
 - ♦ Patience produces Character.
 - ♦ Character produces Hope,
 - ♦ Hope does not disappoint, because the Love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit.
 - ♦ The Holy Spirit was given to us from God through Jesus Christ. [Acts 2:32]

Ultimate Sacrifice – Christ died for the Ungodly granting reconciliation for sinners [Romans 5:6-11]

- ♣ God demonstrated His far superior great love for the world: [John 3:14-18]
 - ♦ Christ died for us while we were His ungodly enemies lost in sin.
 - → Jesus said, "Greater love has no man than this to lay down his life for his friends." [John 15:13]
 - ♦ A man might be willing to give his life for a righteous and good man.
 - ♦ We were justified to God and saved from Wrath through the blood of Jesus.
 - ♦ We were reconciled to God through the death of His Son.
 - ♦ We are saved by the life of the risen Jesus.
 - ♦ We rejoice in God Who provided the reconciliation through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Adam brought sin – Christ brought Righteousness [Romans 5:14-19]

- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ Sin and death entered the world through Adam and spread to all men.
 - ♦ Many were made sinners by the disobedience of Adam.
 - ♦ Because all have sinned.
- \$\frac{1}{2}\$ Sin was in the world but not imputed when there was no law.
 - ♦ Still death passed on from Adam to Moses who received the Law, even though they did not eat of the fruit of the tree of the knowledge of good and evil as Adam and Eve did.
- The free gift is not like the offense.
 - ♦ Adam's sin brought judgment condemnation and death to many.
 - ♦ God's gift of grace through the death of Jesus brought justification and life to many.
 - ♦ Many are made righteous by the obedience of Jesus.
 - ♦ Righteousness will reign in life through Jesus Christ.

The purpose of the Law [Romans 5:20-21]

- The purpose of the Law was to bring to mankind the awareness of sin.
 - ♦ Sin's power reigns in death.
- ₱ Where sin abounded, Grace abounded much more.
 - ♦ Grace reigns through righteousness to Eternal Life through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- Therefore the law was our tutor to bring us to Christ, that we might be justified by faith.

 [Galatians 3:24]