Rom. 5:1-11

Peace with God

Paul wrote these words: 1 Since we have been made right with God by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. 2 Through Jesus, we also have access by faith into this favor where we now stand. We feel good, because now we can hope for the glory of God. 3 Not only that, but we can also feel good about our troubles, because we know that suffering develops endurance. 4 Endurance develops character. Character develops hope. 5 And, hope never disappoints us, because God’s love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.

6 While we were still helpless and ungodly, Christ died for us — at exactly the right time. 7 It is rare when anyone dies for another person — even for a righteous person. However, there are instances when somebody dares to die for a good person. 8 But God reassures us of His love for us in this way: While we were still SINNERS, Christ died for us!

9 Since Christ’s blood has now made us right with God, we will be saved even more so from God’s punishment through Christ. 10 We were God’s enemies, but the death of His Son was used to make us God’s friends. Now that we have become friends of God, we will be saved even more so by Christ’s life. 11 Not only that, we feel good about being in God through our Lord Jesus Christ. We now have friendship with God through Christ.