

This we believe

Romans 5 (NIV): Peace and Hope

¹ Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³ Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope.

⁵ And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

1. "Through faith we are justified" by having faith in God, what is given to us? Verse 1
2. What does it mean to have peace with God? Verse 2
3. Doesn't man have peace with God anyway? How are we at war? Verse 2
4. What is the positive outcomes of hard times? Verse 3
5. How is character, hope and perseverance grown out of hard times? Verse 4
6. Does this mean in hardships we should rejoice? Is there no room for grieving or mourning?
7. What is one of the results of the out pouring of the spirit on the people? How do we experience this Love of God?
8. What does it mean that we are powerless? Powerless to do what? Verse 6
9. Who would you die for? Do people die for others today? Verse 7
10. Why is the fact that we were "still sinner" and important one? Verse 8