



LOVE SO AMAZING

IS WORKING WITHIN THE BELIEVER Rom. 5:1-5

2022 THEME

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

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

3 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation **worketh** patience;

4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:

5 And hope maketh not ashamed; **because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.**

Too much of modern Christianity is related to “association” to Scriptural principles and not to “causation” of spirituality motivated by, and empowered by, the Holy Spirit.

Religious “rules” are a discipline incorporated in one’s life for the sake of conformity, but may not be motivated by a love for the Savior. Some rules may be “right” to do but not necessarily evidence of a love to do right.

Rom. 5:3 And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation **worketh** patience;

Original Word: κατεργάζομαι

Transliteration: katergazomai

Definition: to work out; **Usage:** I effect by labor, achieve, work out, bring about.

katergázomai – **literally, "work down to the end-point," bring to decisive finality (end-conclusion).**

<https://biblehub.com/greek/2716.htm>

- ❖ The imputation of Christ's righteousness has made the difference.
- ❖ The groundwork for our passage is the imputation of Christ's righteousness, given by grace to undeserving sinners, providing justification in the eyes of God.

Eph. 1:6 To the praise of the glory of his grace,
wherein **he hath made us accepted in the beloved.**

❖ Last week, we began looking at divine truth
revealed to us in Rom. 5:1:

I. HOW GOD HAS LIFTED US, 5:1-5

A. As to Our Standing, 5:1-2

1. We Have Acceptance, 5:1

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

❖ Justification of sinners can only be accomplished through the redemptive work of the Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Jn. 2:1 My little children, these things write I unto you, that ye sin not. And if any man sin, **we have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous:**
2 And **he is the propitiation for our sins:** and not for ours only, but also for *the sins of* the whole world.

❖ As we understand propitiation we understand God's love toward us:

1 Jn. 4:10 **Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins.**

❖ As our Advocate, the Lord Jesus does not plea mercy for us, He appeals for our righteousness and consequential justice which provides “peace with God.”

2. We Have Access, 5:2

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

❖ Believers stake their testimony upon the grace of their relationship with Christ – “By whom...wherein we stand...”

Original Word: ἵστημι

Transliteration: histémi

<https://biblehub.com/greek/2476.htm>

- ❖ Through the Lord Jesus Christ we have “peace with God” that is only accessible “by faith into this grace wherein we stand...” = experiencing this “grace” also produces a joy that causes the believer to “...rejoice in hope of the glory of God.”

Knowing the Scriptural foundation of salvation, truth motivates to endure during difficult times.

- ❖ Our standing with the Lord is perfect; our state in life is progressive.
- ❖ The progression includes four stages:
 - 1) There is a melting process;
 - 2) There is a mellowing process;
 - 3) There is a molding process;
 - 4) There is a maturing process.

B. As to Our State, 5:3-5

1. How Maturity is Displayed in Us, 5:3a “And not only so, but we glory in tribulations also...”

❖ Believers do not only identify with Christ, but do so with “glory.”

Original Word: καυχάομαι

Transliteration: kauchaomai

Definition: to boast; **Usage:** I boast; I glory (exult) proudly.

kauxáomai – properly, living with "head up high," figuratively, it refers to living with *God-given confidence*.

<https://biblehub.com/greek/2744.htm>

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

11 And not only so, but we also **joy** in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.

Gal. 6:14 But God forbid that I should **glory**, save in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world is crucified unto me, and I unto the world.

❖ Believers do not only rejoice and identify with Christ, but do so in spite of “tribulations.”

Original Word: θλίψις

Transliteration: thlipsis

Definition: tribulation; **Usage:** persecution, affliction, distress, tribulation.

thlipsis – **properly, pressure (what constricts or rubs together), used of a narrow place that "hems someone in"; tribulation, especially internal pressure that causes someone to feel confined (restricted, "without options").**

thlipsis ("compression, tribulation") **carries the challenge of coping with the internal pressure of a tribulation, especially when feeling there is "no way of escape" ("hemmed in").**

<https://biblehub.com/greek/2347.htm>

Rom. 12:12 Rejoicing in hope; **patient in tribulation**;
continuing instant in prayer;

2 Thess. 1:4 So that we ourselves **glory** in you in the
churches of God for **your patience and faith in all
your persecutions and tribulations that ye endure:**

❖ Tribulations are great challenges but the love of
Christ is greater!

Rom. 8:35 **Who shall separate us from the love of Christ?** *shall tribulation*, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? ...

37 Nay, in all these things **we are more than conquerors through him that loved us.**

38 For I am persuaded, that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come,

39 Nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, **shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.**

2. How Maturity is Developed in Us, 5:3b-5a

Rom. 5:3b "...knowing that tribulation **worketh** patience;
4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope:
5 And hope maketh not ashamed..."

Original Word: οἶδα

Transliteration: eidó

Definition: be aware, behold, consider, perceive; **Usage:** **know**, remember, appreciate.

*eidō (oida) – **perceiving ("mentally seeing").***

*eidō ("**seeing that becomes knowing**")*

<https://biblehub.com/greek/1492.htm>

- ❖ Mature believers look at the “big picture,” knowing absolutely that “tribulation” will be a factor affecting growth of “patience,” being able to endure the challenge.





❖ Trials of tribulation are “tools” that create spiritual maturity in the form of “patience.”

Original Word: ὑπομονή

Transliteration: hypomoné

Definition: a remaining behind, a **patient** enduring;

Usage: endurance, steadfastness, patient waiting for.

hypomoné – **properly, remaining under, endurance; steadfastness, especially as God enables the believer to "remain (endure) under" the challenges He allots in life.** <https://biblehub.com/greek/5281.htm>

Luke 8:15 But that on **the good ground are they**, which in an honest and good **heart**, having **heard the word, keep it**, and **bring forth fruit with patience**.

- ❖ Patience works within the believer to provide experience, which in turn, develops hope, an expectation anticipating good things to come.

Original Word: ἐλπίς

Transliteration: elpis

Definition: expectation, hope; **Usage:** hope, expectation, trust, confidence.

elpís – **properly, expectation of what is sure (certain); hope.** <https://biblehub.com/greek/1680.htm>

- ❖ Such hope creates an attitude that is courageous, that “...maketh not ashamed...”
- ❖ Such hope motivates action with an anticipation of results:

1 Cor. 9:10 Or saith he *it* altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, *this* is written: that **he that ploweth should plow in hope; and that he that thresheth in hope should be partaker of his hope.**

3. How Maturity is Determined in Us, 5:5b

“...**because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost** which is given unto us.”

- ❖ Enduring tribulations is connected to “the love of God” which is “working” in a believer by the influence of the “Holy Ghost which is given unto us.”
- ❖ Believers do not try to conjure up spiritual characteristics, rather, they are the by-product of a spiritual relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ.

1 Cor. 12:6 And there are diversities of operations, but **it is the same God which worketh all in all.**

1 Cor. 12:11 But all **these worketh that one and the selfsame Spirit**, dividing to every man severally as he will.

Gal. 5:6 “...but faith which **worketh** by love.”

Conclusion

2 Cor. 5:14 For **the love of Christ constraineth us**; because we thus judge, that if one died for all, then were all dead:

15 And *that* he died for all, **that they which live should not henceforth live unto themselves, but unto him which died for them**, and rose again. ...

17 Therefore **if any man *be* in Christ, *he is* a new creature: old things are passed away; behold, all things are become new.**

Rom. 12:9 **Let love be without dissimulation.** Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good.

10 Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love; in honour preferring one another;

11 Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord;

12 **Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; continuing instant in prayer;**

13 **Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.**