


Day 1

 Please pray for holy guidance and insight before you begin today's study.

¹ Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ^{2a} through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. ^{2b} And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God.

Q1. Verse 1: what “peace with God” do you have?

Q2. Verse 2^a: How do you know that you “have gained access... into this grace”?

Q3. Verse 2^b: what would you describe your “hope in the glory of God”? Do you “rejoice in that “hope”?

³ Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope.

Q4. [Personal] Because you are a Believer in the saving grace of Christ Jesus, have you personally experienced “suffering”? If yes, did you emerge a stronger person?

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John 15:19-21 [NIV-1984]

¹⁹ If you belonged to the world, it would love you as its own. As it is, you do not belong to the world, but I have chosen you out of the world. That is why the world hates you. ²⁰ Remember the words I spoke to you: 'No servant is greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you also. If they obeyed my teaching, they will obey yours also. ²¹ They will treat you this way because of my name, for they do not know the One who sent me.

Q5. Please provide a brief definition of perseverance. How does suffering lead to perseverance?

Definition:

How?

Q6. Please provide a brief definition of character. How does perseverance produce character?

Definition:


How?

Q7. Please provide a brief definition of hope. How does hope come from character?

Definition:

How?

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⁵ And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.

Q8. Do you know (or perceive) God's love?

Yes? } Why?
No? }

Q9. How do we know that "hope does not disappoint us"?

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Ephesians 1:13-14 [NIV-1984]

¹³ And you also were included in Christ when you heard the word of truth, the gospel of your salvation. Having believed, you were marked in him with a seal, the promised Holy Spirit, ¹⁴ who is a deposit guaranteeing our inheritance until the redemption of those who are God's possession — to the praise of his glory.

Q10. Does this verse reference each of the three persons of the Godhead . . . the Trinity?

God?

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Holy Spirit?

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Jesus?
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⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly.

Q11. Who are the “ungodly”?

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Q12. How do you define ‘agapé love’? [Please see the document [Greek Definitions of love.](#)]

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Q13. What does this mean to you, “at just the right time, when we were still powerless”?
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⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous man, though for a good man someone might possibly dare to die.

Q14. What is the difference between a soldier throwing himself on a hand grenade, in which his sacrificial death preserves the lives of his fellow soldiers, versus Jesus’ death on the cross?

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⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Q15. [Apologetics (defense of your faith)] Is this concept in verse 8 important to your faith? Why?

1 Corinthians 15:12-21 [(NIV-1984)] [The Apostle Paul argued in his 1st Letter to the Corinthians that their faith was NOT futile:]

¹² But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. ¹⁴ And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith.


¹⁵ More than that, we are then found to be false witnesses about God, for we have testified about God that he raised Christ from the dead. But he did not raise him if in fact the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, then Christ has not been raised either. ¹⁷ And if Christ has not been raised, your faith is futile; you are still in your sins. ¹⁸ Then those also who have fallen asleep in Christ are lost.

¹⁹ If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are to be pitied more than all men.

²⁰ But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

²¹ For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man.

⁹ Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him!

 "We have now been justified (just-as-if-we-have-never-sinned) by His blood".

Q16. [Apologetics] Someone asks you, "Since everyone knows that God is love, what does 'God's wrath' mean?"

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¹⁰ For if, when we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!

Q17. Were you ever one of “God’s enemies”?

Yes? } Why?
No? }

Q18. Do you consider yourself “reconciled”?

Yes? } Why?
No? }

¹¹ Not only is this so, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.


Q19. How are we “reconciled”?

Q20. Do you “rejoice”?

Yes? } Why?
No? }

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¹² Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all men, because all sinned —
¹³ for before the law was given, sin was in the world. But sin is not taken into account when there is no law.

Q21. Verse 12: How did sin enter “the world through one man”?

Q22. Verse 12: How do you define “death” and how does sin cause “death”?

Definition:

Q23. Verse 13: What is the “law” and how does it highlight our sin?

What is the “law”?

How does it highlight sin?

Q24. Verse 13: “sin is not taken into account when there is no law”: If the “law” came from God through Moses, then were all of Moses’ ancestors innocent of their sins? (How about Cain who killed Abel?)

Genesis 4:8 [NIV-1984]

⁸ . . . And while they were in the field, Cain attacked his brother Abel and killed him. ⁹ Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is your brother Abel?"

"I don't know," he replied. "Am I my brother's keeper?"

¹⁰ The LORD said, "What have you done? Listen! Your brother's blood cries out to me from the ground. ¹¹ Now you are under a curse and driven from the ground, which opened its mouth to receive your brother's blood from your hand. ¹² When you work the ground, it will no longer yield its crops for

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you. You will be a restless wanderer on the earth.”

¹³ Cain said to the LORD, "My punishment is more than I can bear. ¹⁴ Today you are driving me from the land, and I will be hidden from your presence; I will be a restless wanderer on the earth, and whoever finds me will kill me.”

¹⁵ But the LORD said to him, "Not so; if anyone kills Cain, he will suffer vengeance seven times over.” Then the LORD put a mark on Cain so that no one who found him would kill him.

¹⁶ So Cain went out from the LORD's presence and lived in the land of Nod, east of Eden.

Hebrews 11:4 [NIV-1984]

⁴ By faith Abel offered God a better sacrifice than Cain did. By faith he was commended as a righteous man, when God spoke well of his offerings. And by faith he still speaks, even though he is dead.

Genesis 6:9 [NIV-1984]

This is the account of Noah. Noah was a righteous man, blameless among the people of his time, and he walked with God.

Genesis 15:6 [NIV-1984]

Abram believed the LORD, and he credited it to him as righteousness.

¹⁴ Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who was a pattern of the one to come.


Q25. If all human beings sin, why do you think God included this phrase: “even over those who did not sin by breaking a command”?


Q26. “Adam, who was a pattern of the one to come”: What is a “pattern”?

Q27. “Adam, who was a pattern of the one to come”: Who is “the one to come”?

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 Trespass: [© 2004 Merriam-Webster, Incorporated @ <http://www.m-w.com/>]
1.a: a violation of moral or social ethics: transgression; especially: sin
1.b: an unwarranted infringement

15 But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!

Q28. What is the "gift" this verse references?

Q29. What does the phrase "overflow to the many," mean to you?

 Grace: [© 2004 Merriam-Webster, Incorporated @ <http://www.m-w.com/>]
1.a: unmerited divine assistance given humans for their regeneration or sanctification
1.b: a virtue coming from God
1.c: a state of sanctification enjoyed through divine grace

Q30. Is there a difference between "God's grace" and the "grace of the one man, Jesus Christ"?

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¹⁶ Again, the gift of God is not like the result of the one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification.

Q31. To what “judgment” is Paul referring that “brought condemnation”?

Q32. What “gift... brought justification”?

¹⁷ For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ.

Q33. How do people “receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness”?

¹⁸ Consequently, just as the result of one trespass was condemnation for all men, so also the result of one act of righteousness was justification that brings life for all men.

Q34. [Personal] Do you believe that what Jesus did on the cross atoned for your sin? Are you going to spend eternity in Paradise?

John 14:1-4 [NIV-1984]

¹ [Jesus said,] "Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God; trust also in me. ² In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, I would have told you. I am going there to prepare a place for you. ³ And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back and take you to be with me that you also may be where I am. ⁴ You know the way to the place where I am going."

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¹⁹ For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

Q35. Evidently, the Holy Spirit through Paul wants to ensure that we understand the concept He is teaching, because He keeps repeating it. So, who was disobedient and how was he disobedient? Who was obedient and how was he obedient? And how did the obedient man make us righteous (or right-with-God)?

Who was disobedient? And how?


Who was obedient? And how?

How were we made right-with-God?

1 John 1:9 [International Children's Bible (ICB)]

But if we confess our sins, he will forgive our sins. We can trust God. He does what is right. He will make us clean from all the wrongs we have done.

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²⁰ The law was added so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, ²¹ so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Q36. How did the law increase "trespass"?

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Q37. Why does “grace increase” ?

Q38. How do you know that you are right-with-God?

Q39. [Personal] Do you struggle with sin in your life? Do you wonder if you will ever be good enough? How do you resist these seemingly unending whisperings from the evil one?

Struggle? Yes? No? Why?

Good enough? Yes? No? Why?

How to resist Satan?

Romans 7:15, 17-18, 20, 8:1-2 [(NIV-1984)] [In an upcoming lesson we will study this Romans passage. Please note that the Apostle Paul – as great a person as he was – also struggled with sin. You and I – we are not alone. Jesus: thank You for these words of Yours from the Apostle Paul! Amen.]

7:15 I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do, I do not do; but what I hate, I do. . . **17** As it is, it is no longer I myself who does it, but it is sin living in me. **18** I know that nothing good lives in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out. . . **20** Now if I do what I do not want to do, it is no longer I who does it, but it is sin living in me that does it. . .

8:1 Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, ² because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit of life set me free from the law of sin and death.

Q40. [Apologetics] Someone confides to you, “There is no eternal life. When I die... I die.” How might you answer this person’s statement?

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