



ROMANS 1:16

“I am not ashamed of the Gospel,  
because it is the power of God  
for the salvation  
of everyone who believes:  
first for the Jew, then for the  
Gentile.”



UNASHAMED:  
NO LONGER ENEMIES

Romans 5:1-11



THEREFORE...

Back to 3:21 – 4:25 Not even Abraham was declared righteous through the Law, but through faith alone.

BUT “since...  
WE HAVE PEACE with GOD!”

Never lose the wonder...



Rom. 5:10 (coming up); Eph. 2:3; Phil. 3:18

Some barely recall what it was like to wake up each morning as an enemy of God. Others only have to think back to getting out of bed this morning...

Have you found the peace that comes in knowing  
the One from whom you hide  
as your Hiding Place?

## VS. 2 AND SO, WE REJOICE

Faith in Jesus Christ gives us access into the grace in  
which we now stand

Heb. 4:14-16

The hope of the glory of God

The chief end of man accomplished in Christ

2 Cor. 2:14; Eph. 2:7-9



VSS. 3-5

Peace with God doesn't mean it's all sunshine and roses. Suffering has purpose :

God will use it for our good and His glory, as one more tool He will rip from the hands of the Enemy of our souls

Job 1-2; John 9:1-3; 2 Cor. 12:8-10; James 1:2-4



VSS. 6-8

You did well to not wait 'til you were cleaned up to come to Him. Our Enemy, the Accuser, keeps continuously points out one stain from our past after another.

The Father demonstrated His love in Christ's death for us in the midst of our slop (See Ephesians 2)



VSS. 9-11

Saved from God's wrath

Being fully pardoned (5:1) means saved from the wrath of God. Once again, He is a just God, so the wrath had to go somewhere

(Isaiah 53:4-6; 2 Cor. 5:21)

We were enemies right up to the point of being justified by faith in Jesus Christ





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“Christ bore the full fury of Christ’s wrath,  
in the believing sinner’s place,  
and there is none left for him.”

Rom. 8:1; 1 Thess. 1:10, 5:9



Reconciled to Him

2 Cor. 5:17-21

Still wondering why we call Good Friday 'good?'

While enemies of God we were reconciled through  
Christ's death.

Having been reconciled to God, the power that  
raised Christ to life is certainly sufficient to 'keep' us!