- Week 8 -

Romans 5

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What is Paul's conclusion to his study of Abraham's justification?

List the two things we receive through our justification by faith in Christ.

How does love being poured into our hearts (v 5) help us endure?

5:6-12

What is Paul referring back to when he writes, "For while we were still weak"? How does that statement fit with what came before it?

How does the reference to God showing his love (v 8) connect with God's love being poured into our hearts (v 5)?

Where else has Paul used the phrase "wrath of God" so far in Romans? Is there significance to bringing it up again?

Over the course of this section, Paul uses the phrase "while we were still _____" three times. Are these three things meant to demonstrate three different conditions or a single one? What is God's response to all three?

5:12-21

Paul takes the idea of death (6, 8, 10) and expands it, looking back to Adam and the entrance of death into the world.

How does verse 12 invert verse 10?

Does Paul's statement that death reigned from Adam to Moses mean that death's reign ended with Moses (v 14)? Why or why not?

Take a moment to break down Paul's statements contrasting the "free gift" and "trespass". Arrange the statements in parallel columns (vv 15-21). What insight, if any, do you gain from looking at them in parallel like this?

Free Gift	Trespass

If one act of righteousness leads to justification (v 18), why does it have to be Jesus who performs it?

What connection does verse 20 have with verse 14? Does it alter your answer to the question at the bottom of the last page?