

Sample Response for Romans 5:1–11 | Maddy Bobango

STRUCTURE

Romans 5:1-11 begins a new section of Romans: Living In Light of Justification

- I. (5:1-2a) **Reconciliation** - Foundation of passage
 - A. v. 5:1 Because we have been justified by faith, WE HAVE PEACE WITH GOD through Jesus Christ.
 - B. v. 5:2a Through Jesus, we have obtained ACCESS by faith INTO THIS GRACE IN WHICH WE STAND-

- II. (5:2b-11) (peace and access leads us to...) **Rejoice!!**
 - A. v. 5:2b **Rejoice in hope of the *glory of God***
 1. We will share in the glory of God!
 2. v. 5:3a **Rejoice in our *sufferings*** (as we are being made into Christ's likeness, not the suffering itself but how God uses it to deepen our faith and further rejoice in Him)
 - a) v. 5:3b suffering produces endurance
 - b) v. 5:4a endurance produces character (steadfastness, James 1:2-4)
 - c) v. 5:4b character produces hope
 - (1) v. 5:5 Hope does not put us to shame because of God's perfect love in our hearts through the Holy Spirit.
 - B. (vv. 6-10) Further assurance of God's perfect love for us
 1. While weak, while sinners, while enemies Christ died
 2. under the wrath of God, but He set his love upon us and drew us out. This causes an overflow to...
 - C. 5:11 **Rejoice in God himself!!**
 1. Because of loving work of Jesus Christ, and God's love poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit = (v. 2) Grace in which we stand!

UNIFYING THEME

Because we have been *reconciled* to God through Jesus Christ, we have peace with God and access into the grace in which we stand, which leads us to *rejoice* in the hope of the glory of God, rejoice in our sufferings, and ultimately rejoice in God himself.

AUTHOR'S AIM

Paul aims to show us how the believer's justification through faith alone, specifically as it brings about current relational peace and access, overflows into rejoicing in hope of the glory of God, including rejoicing in our suffering, and ultimately rejoicing in God himself.