

Romans 5:9-11

Much More

1. 5:9 - Much More

- a. 'Therefore... we have' more in 5:1-5, but now, 'much more' in 5:9, 10, 11, 15, 17, 20
 - i. 5:1-2 - Peace with God, access and standing in grace, hope of glory
 - ii. 5:3-8 - Glory in tribulations, the love of God, the Holy Ghost
 - iii. 5:9-11 - Salvation, eternal life, joy in having now received atonement
 - iv. Much more blessings included in sanctification, due to our position in Christ.

2. 5:9 - Saved from Wrath

- a. "*being now justified*" – The present possession is a blessing – 5:9, 5:10, 5:11
- b. "*justified by his blood*" - which defines the faith of 5:1 – Rom 3:25, 4:25, 5:1, Col 1:14
 - i. ('justified by works' is true, but the work here was Christ's, not ours.)
- c. "*we shall be saved*" - first mention of saved/salvation since Rom 1:16
 - i. *Why is it 'shall be'?* Wrath is to come - Rom 1:18, but now... Rom 3:21
- d. "*saved from wrath*" - Wrath will come, but not now in this disp. of grace - 1 Th 1:10
 - i. There is wrath coming against all ungodliness – Rom 1:18, 2:5, Col 3:6
 - ii. There is wrath coming according to prophecy – Mat 3:7, John 3:36, Rev 14:10
 - iii. There is wrath/judgment under Israel's covenants - Heb 3:10-11, 6:2, 10:27, 12:18-29, James 4:6, 1 Pet 4:17, 2 Pet 3:5-7
- e. "*through him*" - our Lord Jesus Christ, without which none of this is done.

3. 5:10 - Saved By His Life

- a. 5:1,9 peace and wrath; 5:2,10 glory and his life; 5:5-8,11 love of God and atonement
- b. "*when we were enemies*" - objects of wrath, but remember God's love 5:8, Titus 3:4
- c. "*we were reconciled*" – 1st mention, to reunite with God, a disunity settled
 - i. The breach between you and God was made from both sides - 2 Cor 5:17-20
 - ii. "*by the death of his Son*" - the hard work ... "*by his life*" - the glorious work
- d. "*being reconciled... we shall be saved*" - reconciled by his death, saved by his life.
- e. "*saved by his life*" - More power and blessing in the resurrection - Phi 3:10, 2 Tim 2:8
 - i. His eternal life provides an eternal friendship – Rom 8:31-39
 - ii. Because he lives in glory we are saved... with hope of glory - Col 3:2-4
 - iii. Because he lives in heaven we are saved... to blessing and riches - Eph 2:6-7
 - iv. Because he lives eternally we are saved... for eternity - Rom 5:21, 6:23

4. 5:11 - We Joy in God

- a. "*we joy in God*" – not guilt/fear of wrath, judgment - Rom 3:19, 8:15, 2Tim 1:7
- b. "*we have now received*" - atonement = Christ's work, now received = blessing by faith
 - i. Not waiting for the Day of Atonement w/afflicted souls – Lev 23:27-28, Act 3:19
 - ii. Contrast to Israel's waiting for future promise – Heb 6:11, 9:28, 10:36
 - iii. Peter spoke of past atonement, received in future - Acts 3:19, 1 Pet 1:5, 7,9, 13
- c. We receive salvation blessings now - 2Co 4:7-10, Co 1:21-23, 2:9-10, Gal 6:14, 1 Co 1:18
 - i. Israel could make atonement, Gentiles could only receive it, we now have it.

5. A Translation Issue

- a. Translation: 'atonement' is not an error; it is a translation preference that works well.
- b. A same word can be translated different ways depending on context
- c. Atonement is not just an OT teaching, reconciliation is not just a NT teaching
- d. Using different words helps give definition: Lev 8:15 vs 43x in Leviticus
- e. You gain the cross reference to the OT, and the work now being finished/received
- f. 'Reconciliation' never referred to as being received except here.
- g. This place is the only place the words is used in reference to our joy in God now.
- h. Atonement is now the finished cross work giving you a complete position
- i. Reconciliation is only forever when the atonement is applied – Heb 8:11-12, 10:26
- j. Their [Israel] sins will be taken away in their kingdom – Rom 11:25-26, Eze 45:15, 17, 20