Romans 3:21-31

- But now apart from the Law *the* righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets,
- even *the* righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all those who believe; for there is no distinction;
- 23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,
- being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus;
- whom God displayed publicly as a propitiation in His blood through faith. *This was* to demonstrate His righteousness, because in the forbearance of God He passed over the sins previously committed;
- for the demonstration, *I* say, of His righteousness at the present time, so that He would be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus.
- **27** Where then is boasting? It is excluded. By what kind of law? Of works? No, but by a law of faith.
- For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from works of the Law.
- Or is God *the God* of Jews only? Is He not *the God* of Gentiles also? Yes, of Gentiles also,
- since indeed God who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through faith is one.
- Do we then nullify the Law through faith? May it never be! On the contrary, we establish the Law.

Read	Romans	3:21.	How	does	this	verse	begin?
	now	[*Do	you r	emem	ber N	lemo?	:-)]

Read Romans 3:21 again. Below you will see two different copies of this verse. Circle which one is correct.

- (a) But now apart from the Law *the* righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets,
- (b) But now together with the Law *the* righteousness of God has been manifested, being witnessed by the Law and the Prophets,

Think about what you learned from reading Romans 3:21 and also all that you have already studied in Romans and answer the following question.

Does the Law of God make us righteous? Circle your answer.

Yes No.

Romans 3:21 tells us that the righteous of God has been manifested apart from the Law, but the Law and the Prophets are witness to it. Do you know what that means?

Think about it...

Remember that when something is manifested it is being made known. It is being made visible. It is being revealed. It is no longer being hidden. So the righteousness of God is being made known to us apart from the Law. Remember the Law was designed by God to give us knowledge of sin. It cannot give us righteousness.

Do you understand what it means when Romans 3:21 says the Law and Prophets are <u>witness</u> to the righteousness of God being made known apart from the Law?

Think about a wedding. I know you have probably been to a wedding or at least seen a wedding on television.

The man and woman stand before a judge and they stand before friends and families and they are making their love and commitment to one another known to the world. They enter into a marriage covenant with one another and the judge and their friends and families are witness to it.

They stand their in agreement that this wedding is good and right and lawful. In the same way, the Law and the Prophets stood witness to the righteousness of God being manifested.

Do you know how it was manifested?

Let's keep studying to find out!

Read Romans 3:22. Answer the following questions by filling in the blanks. You will find the answers in Romans 3:22.

How do we get the righteousness of God?		
hrough faith in who?	Throug	
ho is the righteousness of God for?		
those who		
ead Romans 3:22-23 and answer the following uestions by filling in the blanks.		
hy is the righteousness of God through faith in esus Christ for all those who believe instead of arough the Law?	Jesus (
or have and	for	
of the glory of God		
oes what you learned in Romans 3:10-20 help you	Does w	

Yes No

understand and appreciate these verses more?

Read Romans 3:24. Below is the definition of the word justified:

<u>Justified</u> means to declare, pronounce, one to be just, righteous, or such as he ought to be

Notice that justified means you are "declared righteous" you are "declared to be who you ought to be". Justified does not mean that you are righteous.

Now r	read	Romans	3:24	again	and	answer	the
follow	ving	question	s.				

How are we ju	stified?				
as a	by His		_		
Do you earn a	gift?				
	Yes	No			
Do we receive the Law?	Do we receive this gift because we are able to keep the Law?				
	Yes	No			
How do we ge	t this gift of	being justi	fied?		
by His					
through the			in Jesus		

What is grace?

<u>Grace</u> is that which affords <u>joy</u>, <u>pleasure</u>, <u>delight</u>, <u>sweetness</u>, charm, loveliness: grace of speech good will, loving-kindness, favor of the <u>merciful kindness</u> by which God, exerting his holy influence upon souls, turns them to Christ

So we are declared righteous, justified, through faith in Jesus as a gift by the joy, pleasure, delight, sweetness, and merciful kindness of God.

Pretty cool huh!

Of course remember this is only for those who believe. Read Romans 3:22. Do you believe? Really believe?

What is redemption?

Redemption is a releasing effected by payment of ransom

So we are declared righteous, justified, through faith in Jesus as a gift by the joy, pleasure, delight, sweetness, and merciful kindness of God because Jesus paid our ransom.

Read John 19:30 below.

Therefore when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And He bowed His head and gave up His spirit. (John 19:30)

The word "finished" in the greek is teleo and it means to pay

Jesus said "It is paid!"

Read Romans 3:25. Do you know what propitiation means?

Propitiation means:

used of the cover of the ark of the covenant in the Holy of Holies, which was sprinkled with the blood of the expiatory victim on the annual day of atonement, <u>mercy seat</u>.

Have you ever studied the Tabernacle or the Temple in the Old Testament? Inside the Holy of Holies was the Ark of the Covenant and on the Ark of the Covenant was the Mercy Seat. It was here on the Mercy Seat that the High Priest would put the blood of the lamb. When the blood was put on the Mercy Seat, God would forgive the sins of the nation of Israel.

Jesus became the Mercy Seat for us and for all who will believe.

Read Romans 3:25. How was Jesus displayed. Circle your answer.

publicly privately

Read Romans 3:25 again. Fill in the missing word.

whom	God	displayed	publicly	as	а	propitiation	in	His
blood t	throu	ıgh						

THINK ABOUT IT...

Have you ever thought about the fact that it took faith for Jesus to go to the cross for us? He had to trust that His Father would accept His sacrifice and raise Him from the dead.

Do you remember the story of when God asked Abraham to offer up Isaac as a burnt offering?

Let's go read it now. Look up and read Genesis 22:1-14.

How much faith do you think it took for Abraham to do this?

How much faith do you think it took for Isaac to obey his father in this?

Now how much faith do you think it took Jesus to actually go through with it?

How about we stop and spend a moment right now and

be still. Let's thank Jesus for what He did for us. How about writing Him a thank you prayer below.	
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Read Romans 3:25 again. Why did God display Jesus on the cross publicly (in front of everybody)? The answer is in the verse. Fill in the blanks to answer.

This was to	His
	$\underline{}$, because in the
forbearance of God He passed over the committed.	e sins previously

THINK ABOUT IT...

Have you ever thought about about all the sin that God has passed over? Think about the last time you broke one of God's laws. The last time you told a lie. The last time you disobeyed your parents. Did God pass over that sin? Remember the wages of sin is death. If you did not die because of that sin, then your God chose to "pass over it". Why would He do that? Does He have to do that?

Read 2 Samuel 2:13 printed out below.

Then David said to Nathan, "I have sinned against the Lord." And Nathan said to David, "The Lord also has taken away your sin; you shall not die. (2 Samuel 2:13)

David had broken a lot of God laws. He had committed adultery. He had lied. He had not honored his father or his mother. He had committed murder. He had not kept God first in his life. He had stolen. He had coveted. David had greatly sinned against God. God had every right to

put David to death, but instead God passed over David's sin. He passed over David's sin because David was a man who even though he had messed up very bad, he looked forward in faith to the day that God would send a Savior. He looked forward to the day that Jesus would die for his sin.

Now read 2 Samuel 2:14 printed out below. Then answer the following questions.

However, because by this deed you have given occasion to the enemies of the Lord to blaspheme, the child also that is born to you shall surely die. (2 Samuel 2:14)

Who would die for David's sin?

his
This may seem very hard to understand, that God would take away David's son because of David's sin, but I think God wanted David, and us, to understand what God's Sor would do. David's son would die for this time for this sin of David's, but God's Son would die for all of David's sin and for all the sin of the whole world.
Look up John 3:16 and write the verse out below.

Read Romans 3:26. Why did God pass over David's sin and everyone else, including you and me, who have broken God's Law. Fill in the blanks below with your answer.

so that He would be and the in	of the one who has
THINK ABOUT IT	
How well are you are able to keep when you are trying very, very, v	
Now, how glad are you that God s what we believe about Jesus inste keep His Law?	
Draw a picture below that shows	how you feel about this.

Read Romans 3:27. What question does Paul ask?
Where then is ?
How does Paul answer it? (The answer is in Romans 3:27)
It is
Boasting is bragging. Excluded is to be left out. Paul is letting us know that no one can brag about being a Christian, no one can brag about being a Jew, no one is any better than anyone else. All of us are saved by faith. All of us are saved because of God's grace and God's love for us. We had nothing to do with it.
Read Romans 3:28. How is a man justified?
by
Read Romans 3:29. Is God the God of both Jews and Gentiles?
Yes No
Read Romans 3:30. How are both the circumcised and uncircumcised justified by God?

Read Romans 3:31.

If both the Jew and Gentile, the circumcised and
the uncircumcised, are justified by faith and not the
Law of God, does that mean we no longer need the
Law of God? Do we nullify the Law through faith?

Law of God? Do	we nullify the Law through faith?
it	be!
According to Ror to the Law of Go	mans 3:31, what does our faith do d?
we	the Law

The word establish in the Greek is *Histemi* and it means to cause or make to stand, to make firm, fix establish, to cause a person or a thing to keep his or its place, to stand, be kept intact.

Faith does not cancel out God's Law. Faith comes only when we believe God's Law. So our faith proves that we believe God's Law and we believe God's Word.

Let's skip ahead a bit and read **Romans 10:17** printed below.

So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.

THINK ABOUT IT...

Now that you are hearing the Word, do you believe?

Romans 4:1-8

What then shall we say that Abraham, our forefather according to the flesh, has found?

- **2** For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God.
- **3** For what does the Scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was credited to him as righteousness."
- 4 Now to the one who works, his wage is not credited as a favor, but as what is due.
- **s** But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited as righteousness,
- **6** just as David also speaks of the blessing on the man to whom God credits righteousness apart from works:
- **7** "Blessed are those whose lawless deeds have been forgiven, And whose sins have been covered.
- **8** "Blessed is the man whose sin the Lord will not take into account."

In **Romans 4** Paul shows us how God uses Abraham as an example to show all of us that justification is by faith and not by our works or by the Law.

Read Romans 4:1-2. Even if Abraham had worked

really hard an justified by hi before God? C Circle your an	s works, cou ould He imp	ld he boast a	bout that
	Yes	No	
Read Romans about how Ab righteous? Fil	raham was j	ustified or de	clared
Abraham	to	God and him as righteo	d it was usness
Read Romans and credit?	4:4. What do	o you learn al	oout works
Now to the one as a favor, but a		_	credited
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favor due

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his righteousness	is		as
The word "faith' conviction of the So it was Abrah God and what G	truth, belief am's convict	ion of the tr	uth, his belief in
Read Romans	4:5 again.	Who does (God justify?
the			
Look back at R According to v far, who are th	vhat you ha	ave learned	
Jews	Gentiles	Everyone	Noone
Read Romans crediting right		_	to us about God works?
What does Da	vid call this	credit of r	ighteousness?
а			

The word "blessing" in the Greek is Makarismos and it means declaration of blessedness, to utter a declaration of blessedness upon one, to pronounce one blessed.

According to this definition, do you earn a blessing? Circle your answer.

No

Read Romans 4:7-8. These verses come from Psalm 32:1-2. According to these verses who is blessed?

1)	those whose lawless of	deeds have been
		-
2)	those whose sins have	e been
3)	those whose account	the Lord will not take into

The greatest blessing and gift we can receive is God forgiving our lawless deeds and not crediting us the wage of our sin. Read Romans 6:23 to see what the wages of sin is. What is the wage for sin?

When we believe God and His promise to us He credits us with righteousness and He pays sin for us. We did not earn the blessing, the forgiveness, or the righteousness... it is all the favor and gift of God to us for simply believing Him.

Romans 4:9-25

Is this blessing then on the circumcised, or on the uncircumcised also? For we say, "Faith was credited to Abraham as righteousness."

- **10** How then was it credited? While he was circumcised, or uncircumcised? Not while circumcised, but while uncircumcised;
- **11** and he received the sign of circumcision, a seal of the righteousness of the faith which he had while uncircumcised, so that he might be the father of all who believe without being circumcised, that righteousness might be credited to them,
- **12** and the father of circumcision to those who not only are of the circumcision, but who also follow in the steps of the faith of our father Abraham which he had while uncircumcised.
- **13** For the promise to Abraham or to his descendants that he would be heir of the world was not through the Law, but through the righteousness of faith.
- **14** For if those who are of the Law are heirs, faith is made void and the promise is nullified;
- **15** for the Law brings about wrath, but where there is no law, there also is no violation.
- **16** For this reason *it is* by faith, in order that *it may be* in accordance with grace, so that the promise will be guaranteed to all the descendants, not only to those who are of the Law, but also to those who are of the faith of Abraham, who is the father of us all,
- **17** (as it is written, "A father of many nations have I made you") in the presence of Him whom he believed, *even* God, who gives life to the dead and calls into being that which does not exist.

- In hope against hope he believed, so that he might become a father of many nations according to that which had been spoken, "So shall your descendants be."
- Without becoming weak in faith he contemplated his own body, now as good as dead since he was about a hundred years old, and the deadness of Sarah's womb
- yet, with respect to the promise of God, he did not waver in unbelief but grew strong in faith, giving glory to God,
- **21** and being fully assured that what God had promised, He was able also to perform.
- 22 Therefore it was also credited to him as righteousness.
- Now not for his sake only was it written that it was credited to him,
- but for our sake also, to whom it will be credited, as those who believe in Him who raised Jesus our Lord from the dead,
- He who was delivered over because of our transgressions, and was raised because of our justification.

Read Romans 4:9-10. What question does Paul ask about Abraham's faith being credited to him as righteousness?

According	to wh	at you	have re	ead in	Genesis	put	the
following	in the	order t	that the	y hap	pened.	_	

Circumcision Believed God Covenant made	1 2 3	
What came last? — — — — — — — —		
If circumcision came last justify Abraham? Circle y		od
Yes	No	
Read Romans 4:10-12. W faith? Before or after he Circle your answer.		
Before	After	
Read Romans 4:11 to find important to know. Why righteous before he receiting the circumcision?	was Abraham credited	
So that he might be the fath		

According to what you have learned so far in Romans and the chapters you have read in Genesis, does a person have to be circumcised to be justified? Circle your answer.

Yes No.

Read Romans 4:13. Did Abraham receive his promise from God through the Law? Circle your answer.

Yes No

When did Abraham receive the promise from God? Look up and read Genesis 12:1-4 to find out.

When did God give Israel the Law? Read Exodus 20:1-18 to find out.

According to the Bible what came first, the promise to Abraham or the Law? Circle your answer.

Promise Law

Go back and read Romans 3:20. What is the purpose of the Law?

Through the Law comes the	
of	

Read Romans 4:15. Wh about?	at does the Law bring
Read Romans 3:21-22. righteousness of God?	
Through the Law	Through faith in Jesus
Who can receive this riganswer.	ghteousness? Circle your
Those who	are circumcised
Those wh	o have the Law
Those wh	no believe God.
Law Promise Circumcision Believed God Covenant made	1

What came first? _____

What did Abraham believe? Circle your answer.

The Law The Promise

THINK ABOUT IT....

What promise has God made that He has asked us to believe so that we might be saved?

Read John 3:16.

Is there anything that God says we have to do before we believe?

Is there anything that God says that we have to do after we believe?

Read Romans 4:16. How does this verse begin?

This verse tells us why God did not make the Law or circumcision the way for us to be justified and credited righteousness. If we were justified by the Law, who could be saved? Who can keep the Law and never break it? Can anyone? Circle your answer.

Yes No

Read Romans 4:16 again. Fill in the blanks to complete the verse.

For this reason it is by	′	_, in order that <i>it</i>
may be in accordance	with	$_$ $_$, so that the
	will be guarante	eed to the
descendants, not only	to those who ar	e of the Law, but
also to those who are	of the faith of A	braham, who is the
father of us		
How can Abraham b	e the father of	us all?
Remember that Pau		
church, to the saint	_	
read Galatians 3:29		
And if you belong to	Christ, then v	ou are Abraham's
descendants, heirs		
		Galatians 3:29
		Galatialis 3:29
According to this ve	erse how do we	become heirs to
the promise and Ab		
if you belong to		
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Look up and read Ro	omans 10:9. He	ow can we belong
to Christ?		
	with your mouth	h Jesus is Lord, and
<u></u>	•	at God raised Him
from the dead, you wi	ii be saved	

Read Romans 4:16 again. Read Ephesians 2:8-9 printed below and answer the questions.

How are you sayed?

For by grace you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, *it is* the gift of God; not as a result of works, so that no one may boast.

now are yo	J Saveu:
by	you have been saved through
	ns 3:24 and compare it to Ephesians do both of the verses tell us about?
it is a	of

Read Romans 3:27-28 and Romans 4:2 and compare it to Ephesians 2:8-9. Is there any one who can brag or boast about doing enough works to get themselves saved? Circle your answer.

Yes No

Go ahead and read Romans 4:16-25. When you finish sit down with your mom and dad or another trusted adult as we study through and think about these last verses in Romans 4. As you read remember that Abraham is an example to us as to how God saves and keeps His promise to us.

THINK ABOUT IT...

When we read about Abraham and Sarah in the book of Genesis we learn that Abraham was 75 years old when God gave him the promise. If we look all the way back to Genesis 3:15 we see that this promise was made first to Adam and Eve. Then it was made to Noah in Genesis 6:18. Now God gives it Abraham in Genesis 12:1-4. God promises that he would become the father of many nations. God gives the promise, but Abraham still has to believe the promise. As we read about Abraham we learn that he makes a lot of mistakes as He tries to obey God, but He keeps trying. In Genesis 15 we learn that Abraham really believes the promise that God made him, and so God credits him righteous, God saves Him. Then Abraham and Sarah tried to help God keep His promise, but they only made things worse. God wanted them and us to know that our works and our efforts do not determine whether or not God keeps His promise. God keeps His promise because He is God. So God made Abraham and Sarah wait until both their bodies were unable to make a baby on their own. Their baby making parts were as Romans 4:17-19 says, dead. But dead does not mean anything to the God who creates life out of nothing. So when Abraham was 100 years old and Sarah was 90 years old, Isaac was born. God brought their baby making parts from death to life and fulfilled His promise... all because they believed Him. In the same way our spirit inside of us is dead. It died when Adam and Eve disobeyed God. But God says if we believe in His promise, if we believe in Jesus, He will make our dead spirit alive. We will learn more about this as we study through the rest of Romans. It's very exciting!

I want you to close your study today with working on memorizing Romans 4:20-21. Do this together with your mom and dad or your brother or sister. This is a very important passage to have hidden in your heart and mind. There is nothing more important than knowing that God will keep His Word.

yet, with respect to the promise of God, he did not waver in unbelief but grew strong in faith, giving glory to God, and being fully assured that what God had promised, He was able also to perform.

Romans 4:20-21

Write this verse on a card and read it three times a day.

You can also take a dry erase marker and write it on the mirror in your bathroom or bedroom. This way you can read it every time you go in there.

Romans 5:1- 11

Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ,

- through whom also we have obtained our introduction by faith into this grace in which we stand; and we exult in hope of the glory of God.
- And not only this, but we also exult in our tribulations, knowing that tribulation brings about perseverance;
- and perseverance, proven character; and proven character, hope;
- **5** and hope does not disappoint, because the love of God has been poured out within our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given to us.
- For while we were still helpless, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.
- For one will hardly die for a righteous man; though perhaps for the good man someone would dare even to die.
- But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.
- Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath *of God* through Him.
- **10** For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.
- And not only this, but we also exult in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

Read Romans 5:1. With what word does this verse begin?

Remember when we see a "therefore" we need to find out what the "therefore" is there for. We discover that information by looking at the verses that come before the "therefore". When we do this we see that in Romans 4 the whole chapter was about how Abraham is God's example to us that we are justified by faith, not works and not the Law.
Read Romans 5:1 again and fill in the blanks to complete the verse.
Therefore, having been by, we have with God through our Christ
Now that you have the verse completed, how do we have peace with God?
through
THINK ABOUT IT The word peace in this verse in the Greek is eirene and in

The word **peace** in this verse in the Greek is eirene and it means exemption from the rage and havoc of war, peace between individuals.

Have you ever thought about the fact that before you are saved you are at war with God?

Read Romans 5:2. Who did we obtain our introduction by faith into the grace of God through? (hint: you find the answer in Romans 5:1)				
Read Romans 5:2 again. Knowing that we are justified by faith and have peace with God through Jesus what can we now exult in? (the word exult means to boast in)				
in	of the	of God		
His glory,	•	d we no longer are afraid of it. We no longer hate Him,		
have bee	n justified by fait	se do we exult in if we h and have peace with s to help you find the		
snoibirtult	a	. — — — — — —		
	nans 5:3-4 and pur r tribulations whe	ut in order what we know en we are saved.		
tribulation	, brings about	- — — — — — — — —		
persevera	nce, proven			
nroven ch	aracter			

Read Romans 5:5.	What do we learn about hope?
hope	disappoint
	again. How can we know that f God does not disappoint?
	of God has been poured out in through the who was given to us.
Let's take a momer Holy Spirit.	nt to learn a little bit about the
Look up and read J	ohn 14:15-17.
Who did Jesus say us?	that the Holy Spirit would be to
the	<u> </u>
Look up and read J	ohn 14:25-26.
How did Jesus say	that He would help us?
He will be you	I
He will	you all things
He will bring to that Jesus says to us	all

Look up and read Ephesians 1:13-14. Let's put in order what happens in these verses.

1)	after truth, the	to the message of of salvation
2)	having also	— — — — —
3)	you were	in Him (Jesus) with the of promise
	hen was the Ho rrect answer.	ly Spirit promised? Circle the
Wł	nen Jesus was tal	king with His disciples in John 14.
Wł	nen Noah got off	the ark in Genesis 9
Wł	nen Adam and Ev	e sinned in the garden in Genesis 3.
pr	_	9 and Acts 2:1-4. When did the deconcerning the Holy Spirit
the	e day of	
lea git	arned that faith	Acts 2:38. We have already is a gift, that being justified is a us is a gift, now who else is a gift
the	e	

Read Romans 5:6. Why is it important that God was willing to give us all this as a gift.

we were		_	
	good, lov	id Jesus die for us ved God, and deserv	ved it?
	Yes	No	
How does Roman	s 5:6 des	cribe us?	
helpless and			
Read Romans 5:6 how much He love		does God demonstr	ate
while we were yet _	died for	<i> '</i>	
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THINK ABOUT IT...

WOW! So God did not wait until we were good before He sent His Son to die for us. He also does not wait until we are good before He shares with us the Gospel and gives us the gift of faith and justification. He meets us where we are and gives us His Word to help us if we will just believe Him. He loved us before we even wanted to be good.

How about we take a moment to tell Him how that makes us feel.

Read Romans 5:9. How does this verse begin?
then
Have you ever seen an infomercial on television? A commercial were someone offers you a product and they begin to tell you what all you are going to get with it and then they say, "But wait, there's more!"
As study through the rest of Romans 5 and really the rest of the book of Romans we are going to see what all we receive in this gift of grace and justification by faith through Jesus Christ.
Go ahead read through Romans 5:9-11 and count how many times you read "much more".
How many times did you read it?
Read Romans 5:9. Now that we are justified by His blood what else will be saved from because of what Jesus did when He died for us?
the of God
Read Romans 5:10. Romans 5:6 tells us that we were helpless and ungodly when Jesus died for us. What do we learn about ourselves in Romans 5:10?
we were of God

Read Romans 5:10-11. If we believe that Jesus died for us to reconcile us to God while we were helpless, ungodly, sinners, and His enemies, then what should we also know?

we shall be	t	y His life.	
What happened a was buried? Did hyour answer.			
	Yes	No	
Read Romans 5:1 Christ once we ar			ough Jesus
in	God		
(To <u>reconcile</u> is to between. It is to m			•

THINK ABOUT IT...

matter.)

If not for what Jesus did by coming to earth as the Son of God and the Son of Man we could never have a relationship with God.

Why don't you get a piece of paper and draw a picture or write a story about how Jesus makes us friends with God again.

Romans 5:12-21

Therefore, just as through one man sin entered into the world, and death through sin, and so death spread to all men, because all sinned

- **13** for until the Law sin was in the world, but sin is not imputed when there is no law.
- **14** Nevertheless death reigned from Adam until Moses, even over those who had not sinned in the likeness of the offense of Adam, who is a type of Him who was to come.
- **15** But the free gift is not like the transgression. For if by the transgression of the one the many died, much more did the grace of God and the gift by the grace of the one Man, Jesus Christ, abound to the many.
- **16** The gift is not like *that which came* through the one who sinned; for on the one hand the judgment *arose* from one *transgression* resulting in condemnation, but on the other hand the free gift *arose* from many transgressions resulting in justification.
- **17** For if by the transgression of the one, death reigned through the one, much more those who receive the abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ.
- **18** So then as through one transgression there resulted condemnation to all men, even so through one act of righteousness there resulted justification of life to all men.
- **19** For as through the one man's disobedience the many were made sinners, even so through the obedience of the One the many will be made righteous.
- **20** The Law came in so that the transgression would increase; but where sin increased, grace abounded all the more,
- **21** so that, as sin reigned in death, even so grace would reign through righteousness to eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Read	Romans	5:12.	Throug	h how	many	men	did	sin
enter	the worl	d? Cir	cle you	r answ	ver.			

3 2 1 7 Read Romans 5:12 again. What entered the world through sin? Read Romans 5:12 one more time. How many men did death spread to? Circle your answer. few some couple several all Read Romans 5:13. What came first the Law or sin? Read Romans 5:14. What reigned from Adam to Moses to prove that sin came first? Did people die before God gave Israel the Law (Ten **Commandments)? Circle your answer.**

No

Yes

Read Romans 5:15-21. These verses compare and contrast two different men and two different events. We will learn about a man named Adam and a man named Jesus. Let's do some background work.

Who is Adam? Read Genesis 1:26-29 and Genesis 2:15-25 to find out.

Who is Jesus? Read John 1:1-5, John 1:14-18, and John 3:16 to find out.

What happened because of Adam? Read Genesis 3:1-24 to find out.

What happened because of Jesus? Read John 14:1-31 to find out.

Adam disobeyed His Father. He sinned and had to leave the garden of his Father. He was unable to return. Jesus obeyed the Father. He never sinned and has come to take us back to the Father with Him! He is the way back to the Father's house for all who believe.

Now let's turn back to Romans 5:15-21 and see what else we learn about Adam and Jesus and what they mean to us.

Read Romans 5:15. Complete the sentence below by filling in the blanks.

Who is the one who caused the grace of God to abound to "the many"?
Who is "the one" who caused "the many" to die by transgression?
Read Romans 5:15-17 again and answer the following questions.
The free gift is being justified and receiving life. It is receiving the free gift of the grace of God. The transgression is being condemned and receiving death. It it receiving the due penalty of the wrath of God These are two very different things aren't they?
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What is the free gift. Look back at Romans 3:24 to find out. Fill in the blanks with your answer.
But the free gift is $__$ $__$ like the transgression.

Read Romans 5:18-19. Look at the chart below. I have filled in the "what" and "results" section for you. I need you to fill in the "who" section.

What	Results	Who
one transgression	resulted condemnation to all men	
One act of righteousness	resulted justification of life to all men	
one disobedience	many were made sinners	
obedience of the One	many will be made righteous	

Read Romans 5:20. Why did the Law come?				
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the		of s	in	
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	some of us	all of us	none of us	

Read Romans 5:20. What abounded all the more as sin increased?

	
Read Romans 5:21. Fill in the blanks below.	
Sin reigned in	
Grace would reign in	to

eternal ___ __ through ___ __ __

THINK ABOUT IT...

Are you wondering, how does the Law make sin increase and how does an increase in sin lead to more grace? Those are good questions to wonder about.

When we read the Law and the rest of God's Word we learn about His standard and His holiness. We learn what He says is good and right.

When we learn what He says is good and right and then we compare our actions, thoughts, and words to His we realize that we are great sinners. We realize that we disobey. We realize that we are just like Adam in the garden.

And if we are just like Adam then we realize that we under condemnation and the wrath of God.

When we realize this we have two choices. We can stay where we are and continue to love sin. We can cry out to God for help and believe on Jesus and be saved. In Adam all die. In Christ all who believe live.

Let's close our study in Romans 5 by filling in the chart below with pictures to help illustrate the difference between Adam and Jesus.

ADAM	JESUS
ADAW	JE303