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Sermon Notes for March 16th, 2025

Series: **“Discovering Our Need for a Savior”**

Message: **“Peace & Hope Through Jesus Christ”**

Sermon Text: **Romans 5:1-11**; Old Testament Text: **Micah 7:18-20 (p. 992)**; Gospel Text: **Matthew 5:3-12 (p. 1029)**. Read **Romans 5:1-11 (below)** as you listen to the sermon, then answer the questions below.

Romans 5:1-11: Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. ²Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God. ³Not only that, but we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, ⁴and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, ⁵and hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit who has been given to us. ⁶For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷For one will scarcely die for a righteous person—though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die— ⁸but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. ⁹Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. ¹⁰For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life. ¹¹More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

1. Read **Romans 5:1**. What does it mean to be *justified by faith*?

How long does it take to be *justified by faith*?

Explain why if *we have been justified by faith* we would have *peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ*.

2. Read **Romans 5:2**. What does it mean to you *that you have obtained access into the grace in which we stand by faith*?

Why would this cause us to *rejoice in hope of the glory of God*?

3. Read **Romans 5:3-5**. How does *suffering produce endurance*?

How does *endurance produce character*?

How does *character produce hope*?

Why does our *hope not put us to shame*?

4. Read **Romans 5:6**. To what is the Apostle Paul referring when he says, *“while we were still weak?”*

Who determined *the right time at which Christ should die for the ungodly*?

5. Read **Romans 5:7-8**. How did God show His love to us?

6. Read **Romans 5:9**. According to this verse, why can we be confident that we will not face God's wrath?

7. Read **Romans 5:10**. What do you think Paul is talking about when he says, "*we shall be saved by his life?*"

8. Read **Romans 5:11**. How should this verse make us feel?

How often do you reflect on the fact that *you've been reconciled with God through our Lord Jesus Christ*?

How might thinking of this more often help to strengthen our faith?

9. What will you remember most from this message?