

Paul the Disciple – His Conversion Study and Discussion Questions

Peace and Joy¹ - Romans 5:1-11

Topics: Endurance, Enemies, God, Hope, Joy, Love, Peace

Open It

- 1. What circumstances can turn two people into enemies?
- 2. *How do most people treat their enemies?
- 3. What results can difficult circumstances have in a person's life?

Explore It

- 4. What is the basis for our justification with God? (5:1)
- 5. What is our relationship with God if we have been justified by faith? (5:1)
- 6. How does Jesus Christ change a person's standing with God? (5:2)
- 7. For what reasons can a Christian rejoice? (5:2-3)
- 8. What good things can result from suffering? (5:3-5)
- 9. Why does hope not disappoint us? (5:5)
- 10. How has God demonstrated His love for us? (5:6-8)
- 11. What comparisons can be made between people giving their lives for others and Christ's death for all people? (5:7-8)
- 12. *What was our relationship to God when Christ came to die for us? (5:8)
- 13. What aspect of Christ's death justifies a person in God's sight? (5:9)
- 14. *How did God act to remove the barrier between Himself and all people? (5:9-10)
- 15. If God has demonstrated His love to us through Jesus' death, what can we anticipate concerning our future relationship with God? (5:10)
- 16. *For what reasons can a Christian rejoice? (5:11)

^{1.} Adult Questions for LESSONMaker, (Austin, TX: Wordsearch, 1992), WORDsearch CROSS e-book, Under: "Peace and Joy - Romans 5:1-11".

Get It

- 17. How is peace with God different from peace of mind?
- 18. *What does it mean to be justified?
- 19. *How were we formerly God's enemies?
- 20. What are the benefits of being justified with God?
- 21. What is the connection between suffering and hope?
- 22. How should Christian hope affect a person's attitude toward his or her current circumstances or goals?
- 23. What is hope?
- 24. What keeps us from being full of joy and hope in the middle of difficult circumstances?
- 25. In what ways does suffering produce endurance?
- 26. How can suffering produce positive rather than negative results?
- 27. How did Jesus' death affect our security in God's love?

Apply It

- 28. In what difficult circumstances do you need to stop grumbling and stay focused on joy in Christ?
- 29. *Who in your life needs to hear that through Jesus Christ they are no longer enemies with God?