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Prayer

Father we thank You for Your continual Grace upon us, Your love for us always make You beckon on us to teach us. Tonight as we hear from You, Keep transforming us to your image, Thank You Jesus, in Jesus mighty name we pray (Amen).

Study

Romans 5:6-11 KJV

For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. **[7] For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. [8] But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us. [9] Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him**. **[10] For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life**. **[11] And not only so, but we also joy in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement**.

For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly.

It is a well-established truth that every man born of a woman was born without strength, we were all born as God's enemies by default as such in

our sinful state we are weak, that is, powerless to help ourselves, helpless for our sins had gotten the better part of us overladen with it, struggling under it and suffering, it is then in this devastating condition that Christ came to die for us for it is such a time we needed him most, for there is no how we could help ourselves, therefore a greater one than us and our sins is needed to lift that burden. Christ came to demonstrate His love towards us by dying for sinners as vile and obnoxious as we. We were positioned as God's enemies at that point and not deserving His favour but He showed us how Great is Love is for us and died for our sins and not His own sins, He came to die for those who in acts, characters, ways, thoughts, speech etc are His enemies, those who are not supposed to be pitied by Him, those whose ways are not pleasing to Him, for their carnal minds is not only an enemy to God but enmity itself. **Romans 8:7 KJV** **Because the carnal mind is enmity against God: for it is not subject to the law of God, neither indeed can be**. **Colossians 1:21 KJV** **And you, that were sometime alienated and enemies in your mind by wicked works, yet now hath he reconciled**

This enmity is a mutual enmity, God loathing the sinner, and the sinner loathng God, **Zechariah 11:8 KJV** **Three shepherds also I cut off in one month; and my soul lothed them, and their soul also abhorred me**. From this it is hard to understand why Christ should die for such people as we who are at loggerheads with Him. But this proved His love to us wards while we were still in our fallen state Christ died for us, if He so loved us then it would not be too much for Him to command us to also love our enemies for He has demonstrated such to us and this He did when the right time came. In due time Christ died for the ungodly, He did not only come for those who are weak but also for the ungodly. That is, those who are without God, they are outside anything called godly, they live godless lives having no trust in Him nor fear Him. Did not even know Him at all not talk of recognising Him, it's at this juncture that Christ came to die. Therefore, they would have no reason to boast or glory in self because all happened

by His grace and for those who have been saved and now love Him, there is no avenue for them to glory in self for we love Him because He first loved us. **1 John 4:9 KJV In this was manifested the love of God toward us, because that God sent his only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through him**.

He loved us and washed us from our sins in His own blood. **Revelation 1:5 KJV And from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, and the first begotten of the dead, and the prince of the kings of the earth. Unto him that loved us, and washed us from our sins in his own blood**, according to Divine timing Christ came at the right time when He was utmostly needed, He did not come earlier than expected neither did He come later, He came just at the right time to accomplish God's divine plans in use and for us.

Romans 5:7 KJV For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. We can hardly see one who would choose to die for a righteous person not to talk of one dying for a wicked people such as we who we are naturally born wicked and hostile to God. Maybe we can see someone who would dare to die for a good person. Those who are not only good to themselves but others might have somebody there to lay down their necks for their sakes just like those who were willing to do so for Apostle Paul. **Romans 16:4 KJV Who have for my life laid down their own necks: unto whom not only I give thanks, but also all the churches of the Gentiles**. This is because Paul was a good man who had benefited them but not all will be willing to lay down their necks for a good man but only some. Though it is thought provoking to see Christ laying down His life for all and not some, all sinners not even for all the good people, for there is none that does good. **Psalm 53:1-3 KJV The fool hath said in his heart, There is no God. Corrupt are they, and have done abominable iniquity: there is none that doeth good. [2] God looked down from heaven upon the children of men, to**

see if there were any that did understand, that did seek God. **[3] Every one of them is gone back: they are altogether become filthy; there is none that doeth good, no, not one**. All have worked abomination and do not seek Him and all have altogether become filthy. Therefore it is an uncommon thing Christ has done and no one deserves it.

Romans 5:9 KJV

Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him.

"Much more then" if Christ could do such a hard thing as the dying for us then he will do even that which is not as hard as that, we've been justified by His blood putting us in the right standing with God by His priceless blood, He would save us from wrath! that is, God's wrath of Hell.

Now if when we were sinners deserving of death, Christ could take upon Himself such a thing as dying for us, then when He has already reconciled us back to God and has made us friends with Him then it will not be something hard for Him to show His kindness to those who are now His friends. As such, we will be well kept by Him so that we would not face the judgement of eternal fire. **Jude 1:24 KJV** **Now unto him that is able to keep you from falling, and to present you faultless before the presence of his glory with exceeding jo**y,

If we don't rely on Him for our justification through faith in Him then we should rely on Him for grace to continue what He has started, for Him who began such a good work as this would complete it. **Philippians 1:6 KJV** **Being confident of this very thing, that he which hath begun a good work in you will perform it until the day of Jesus Christ:** Jesus death bought our justification and reconciliation, we are justified by His blood. **Romans 5:9 KJV** **Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him**. That is, we are placed in the right standing with God just as if we have never sinned. We are reconciled

by His death **Romans 5:10 KJV** **For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life**.

Sin is pardoned, the sinner accepted as righteous, the quarrel taking up, the enmity slain, an end made of iniquity, and an everlasting righteousness brought in. This means that Christ has done all what is required to be done to purchase our justification and reconciliation and upon our believing on Him we receive His righteousness.

We are justified by His blood because "the blood is the life" the blood made atonement for the soul when sacrifices are offered in the temple. Leviticus 17:11 KJV For the life of the flesh is in the blood: and I have given it to you upon the altar to make an atonement for your souls: for it is the blood that maketh an atonement for the soul.

Romans 5:10 KJV **For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life**.

Now that we are saved and have become His friends reconciled back to Him through the death of His Son, we shall be saved! that is, we shall be saved daily from the dominion of sin through His Resurrected life, that is, when we hold onto Him and His life is in us, we would not live in sin for His resurrected life which dwells in us would constantly deliver us from sin because His life would supply all necessary strengths needed by us to scale through this wretched world of sin, and not only that, we would always rejoice in our souls giving all the glory to God through Jesus Christ for His love and perfection through whom we have now received and enjoy our reconciliation.

As this point we would understand that these spiritual blessings were given to us by God and not because we were good but because of His love towards us and because of this we do not take it for granted or boast about

it. Just the same way it is hard for those who have not accepted Christ's righteousness to live righteous lives and obey God's laws because they are held grip under the flesh which is a taskmaster.

In the same way, those who accept Christ's free offer of salvation who have received abundance of Grace and of the gift of righteousness will reign in life through the One, Jesus Christ. **Romans 5:17 KJV** **For if by one man's offence death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ**.)

Beloveth, seeing that you were not saved because of the good works of your hand but by Grace, you should also rely on they grace to see you through, if that grace is a saving grace then it also has power to make you live above sin except it's not Christ's grace in the first place, but if it's a genuine saving grace then living in genuine Holiness And Righteousness to please God is very possible.

If you are genuinely saved then always *remember that you have been justified by His blood and reconciled back to God through His death— Jesus Christ's death*

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