

ROMANS 20 – 5:9-11

Much More...

1. 5:9

- a. *"much more"* - expanding the benefits above what was known: 5:9,10,15,17,20
- b. *"being now justified"* – We have access to the benefits now – 5:9, 5:10, 5:11
 - i. Contrast to Israel's waiting for the future promise – Heb 6:11, 9:28, 10:36
- c. *"justified by his blood"* - through faith in his blood – Rom 3:25, 4:25, 5:1
- d. *"saved from wrath"* - which means there is still wrath coming from God
 - i. There is wrath against all ungodliness – Rom 1:18, 2:5
 - ii. There was wrath coming according to prophecy – Mat 3:7, John 3:36
 - iii. There is chastisement under the covenants – Heb 3:10-11, 12:3-8
- e. Some deny coming wrath b/c of God's grace, but...2 Pet 3:1-7, Heb 6:2
 - i. Paul never mentions the word hell, but... Col 3:6, Eph 5:6, 2 Thess 1:7-9
 - ii. Justification is by faith, it not forced on us as in Universalist salvation
 - iii. It is not God's love that will condemn you, it is his justice.

2. 5:10

- a. *"when we were enemies"* – a status of opposition, the objects of wrath
- b. *"we were reconciled"* – to reunite with God, a disunity settled – 2 Cor 5:20
- c. The breach between you and God was made from both sides
- d. *"much more, being reconciled..."* – by our faith in him making friendship
- e. *"saved by his life"* – His eternal life provides an eternal friendship – Rom 8:31-39
- f. Because he lives we are saved, Christ resurrected for us – 2 Tim 2:8

3. 5:11

- a. *"we joy in God"* – not fearing him b/c of wrath or insecurity – Mat 10:28, Rom 8:15
- b. When Israel boasted, it was turned to fear, but we now boast Rom 2:17, Jam 4:16
- c. This has to do with our purpose in him – Col 1:11, Rom 14:17, 2 Cor 1:24, Rom 5:2
- d. *"we have now received"* – not waiting until a Day of Atonement – Acts 3:19
- e. We have salvation now in earthen vessels - 2 Cor 4:7-10, Col 2:9-10, Gal 6:14-15

4. A Translation Issue

- a. Translation: 'atonement' is just fine; it can mean reconciliation, but also more
- b. The 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. Atonement is now the finished cross work giving you a complete position
- e. Reconciliation is only forever when the atonement is applied – Heb 8:11-12, 10:26
- f. Their [Israel] sins will be taken away on their Day of Atonement – Rom 11:26-27