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part 1
Salvation is a Big Deal
Appreciating Our New Status Before God



Romans 5:1-2

¹ Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. (NIV)

1. Value Justification _____ (v.1)

2. Value Justification _____ (v.2a)

3. Value Justification _____ (v.2b)

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Clearly the book of Romans presents salvation as an eternally important "big deal." In what ways and regarding which aspects do modern churchgoers underestimate and undervalue the huge issues related to salvation?

What specifically can you do to improve and elevate your gratitude and relief for the salvation Christ provided you?

2. Why is doubt, anxiety and uncertainty regarding salvation a problem? Why is it important that these problems be addressed and resolved?

Why would our confident, joyful assurance regarding the sufficiency of Christ's work and the finished nature of salvation seem so appropriate as you consider God's perspective on the matter?

3. Read **Hebrews 6:18-19**. What practical differences would there be in your life if you fully experienced these verses? How would you live, think or make decisions differently?
4. Read **Romans 15:13**. Who, besides yourself, will you pray this prayer for this week?

Read Through the Bible in a Year

Here's this week's schedule:

September 6th

Is. 17-18 & 1Cor. 8

September 7th

Is. 19-20 & 1Cor. 9

September 8th

Is. 21-22 & 1Cor. 10

September 9th

Is. 23-24 & 1Cor. 11

September 10th

Is. 25-26 & 1Cor. 12

September 11th

Is. 27-28 & 1Cor. 13

September 12th

Is. 29-30 & 1Cor. 14

September 13th

Is. 31-32 & 1Cor. 15

Here is a list of other recorded sermons by Pastor Mike which may assist you in your further study of today's message.

CD # 0923 – **Experiencing the Hope of Faith**

CD # 0920 – **Celebrating Unearned Forgiveness**

CD # 0711 – **Real Love: Its Eternal Provision**

CD # 0537 – **A Question of Perseverance, Salvation & Eternal Security**

Here are some resources which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in this week's sermon.

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