

“Security in Christ”

Text: Romans 5:6-11

Scripture reading: Philippians 3:7-21

I. The blessings of justification – vv. 1-11

II. The growth in justification – vv. 3-5 (last week)

III. The atonement for justification – vv. 6-11 (this week)

A) Those atoned for

1. Helpless: (Rm. 3:10-12; I Cor. 2; John 3; John 6:44, 65)

2. Godless: (Rm. 1:18)

3. Sinful: (Rm. 3:23)

4. Hostile: (Col. 1:21-22; Eph. 2:2, 3; I Cor. 2:8)

B) The One atoning

1. Christ sacrificed: (Gal. 4:4-5)

2. God demonstrated:

C) The work of atonement

1. Rescued from _____

2. Reconciled to _____ (Rm. 2:5-6)

3. Rejoice in _____

Conclusion: Three exultations:

1. We rejoice in the _____ for us

2. We rejoice in _____

3. We rejoice in the _____ for us

“The true and infinitely wise and good God, and He alone could devise a scheme at once so perfect, so honorable to its Author, and at the same time conveying such blessings to poor, lost, ignorant, guilty and depraved man.”
-William S. Plumer 1802-1880; American pastor/theologian

SERMON QUOTES:

A) Those atoned for

1. Helpless

R. C. Sproul,

“The idea of moral inability is this: we have been plunged so deeply into sin that we do not have the moral capacity to incline ourselves in any way to the things of God. If God in His mercy and grace were to offer us complete forgiveness and salvation in Jesus Christ but do nothing to work in our hearts, we would never exercise that option.”

4. Hostile

James M. Boice,

“It affirms that not only are we unable to save ourselves, are unlike and opposed to God, and are violators of His law, but we are also opposed to God in the sense that we would attack Him and destroy Him if we could. Being like Satan in his desires, we would drag God from His throne, cast Him to hell and crush Him into nothingness – if that were possible – which is what many people actually tried to do when God came among them in the person of Jesus Christ.”