

Romans 5:1-5

Our Faith: The Sustained Hope of Christ

To be made RIGHTEOUS is to be morally right or justifiable

To be JUSTIFIED is having done for or marked by a good or legitimate reason

For the believer, we have been made right with God for a legitimate reason, and that legitimate reason is Christ!

The Hope of Christ Allows us to Gain
(Verses 1-2)

We gain peace with God

We gain access to God

The Hope of Christ Allows us to Rejoice
(Verse 2)

Why do we rejoice? We rejoice because there is great joy in victory

The Hope of Christ Allows us to Persevere
(Verses 3-5)

Our hope not only allows us to persevere, but through our perseverance our hope is strengthened

In our perseverance, we know that God is faithful

Our hope doesn't solely rest on what God has done, but also what He is doing

We reflect on Jesus' death, but we move forward through the Holy Spirit

The mountaintops are incredible, but the valleys produce growth

How are we sustained by faith in the hope of Christ?

1. We cherish what we gain in our hope
2. We rejoice in the simple truth of our hope
3. We persevere in the confidence of our hope