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SERMON: God's Great Love for Us

SCRIPTURE: Romans 5:1-11

SUMMARY: Because of God's great love for us in Jesus, we stand in the place of undeserved privilege! God has made us right with him through Jesus and this is love. Since we have been made right in God's sight through Jesus by faith, we have peace with God and can rejoice even when we run into problems and trials. The Holy Spirit fills us with the love we need to live in right relationship with God and others in all life situations. God's has shown is great love for us in that while we were still sinners Jesus died for us!

Jesus came, died and was raised to life so that all who believe would be made right with God!

READ:

ROMANS 3

22 We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are.

25 For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood.

26 God is fair and just and he makes sinners right in his sight when they believe in Jesus.

28 So we are made right with God through faith and not by obeying the law.

ROMANS 4

- 1 What did Abraham discover about being made right with God?
3 Abraham believed God, and God counted him as righteous because of his faith.

I. THE PLACE OF UNDESERVED PRIVILEGE (FOR THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN MADE RIGHT WITH GOD!)

ROMANS 5:1-2

1 Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith, we have peace with God because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us.

2 Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory.

II. THE HOLY SPIRIT - FILLING US WITH HIS LOVE.

ROMANS 5:3-5

3 We can rejoice, too, when we run into problems and trials, for we know that they help us develop endurance. 4 And endurance develops strength of character, and character strengthens our confident hope of salvation. 5 And this hope will not lead to disappointment. For we know how dearly God loves us, because he has given us the Holy Spirit to fill our hearts with his love.

List of the things that the Holy Spirit has come to do in our lives!

III. GOD'S GREAT LOVE FOR US REVEALED IN JESUS' LIFE, DEATH AND RESURRECTED LIFE!

ROMANS 5:6-10

6 When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners. 7 Now, most people would not be willing to die for an upright person, though someone might perhaps be willing to die for a person who is especially good. 8 But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners. 9 And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation.

10 For since our friendship with God was restored by the death of his Son while we were still his enemies, we will certainly be saved through the life of his Son.

JOHN 3:16

Incarnation, Crucifixion, Resurrection

IV. OUR WONDERFUL NEW RELATIONSHIP

ROMANS 5:11

11 So now we can rejoice in our wonderful new relationship with God because our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends of God.

LIFE APPLICATION SERMON GUIDE

1. How and why are people not in a right relationship with God?
2. What did Abraham discover about being made right with God? What must we do to be made right with God?
3. How did God show His great love for us? What does it mean that Christ died for us while we were still sinners?
4. Do you live in a place of peace and underserved privilege? How did you get there? How do you stay there? Describe disruptions (problems and trials) you have encountered and how they impacted your peace. How did you work through them?
5. What purpose do problems and trials bring in our faith journey?
6. How strong is your faith? What is your endurance level? Character? Confident hope in salvation?
7. How do you know the Holy Spirit is filling your heart with love for God and others? If this is not true of you, what steps can you take to have your heart filled?
8. PRAY: Thank the Lord that he provided a way for us to be made right with him! Ask him to help you guide others into a right relationship with him!