

Good Friday: Calling Names

March 30, 2018

I. Calling Names

Romans 5:6-10 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!

1. We Were Called Powerless.

Romans 5:6 You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly.

- *Powerlessness leads to either humble dependence or desperate independence.*

2. We Were Called Ungodly.

- *We forget about God.*
- *We operate without God.*
- *We become ungodly.*

3. We Were Called Sinners.

Romans 5:7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die.

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

- *A sinner does what is wrong.*

1 John 3:4 (NLT) Everyone who sins is breaking God's law, for all sin is contrary to the law of God.

1 John 1:8 If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

- *A sinner does what seems right.*

Proverbs 14:12 There is a way that appears to be right, but in the end it leads to death.

4. We Were Called God's Enemies.

Romans 5:10 For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!

John 19:17-18 Carrying his own cross, he went out to the place of the Skull (which in Aramaic is called Golgotha). There they crucified him, and with him two others—one on each side and Jesus in the middle.

- *We Are Justified Enemies.*

Romans 5:9 (NLT) 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.

- *We Are Reconciled Enemies.*
- *We Are Saved Enemies.*

Romans 5:9-10 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life!

- *We Are Loved Enemies.*

Romans 5:8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

- *We are His enemies no more!*

II. Communion

1 Corinthians 11:27-29 So then, whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup. For those who eat and drink without discerning the body of Christ eat and drink judgment on themselves.

1 Corinthians 11:23-24 For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

1 Corinthians 11:25-26 In the same way, after supper he took the cup, saying, "This cup is the new covenant in my blood; do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me." For whenever you eat this bread and drink this cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.