Welcome to the Family



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Baptized Into Christ!

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40 Days of Prayer

October 16-November 24



- Prayer Requests for our "24 Hour Prayer Vigil" begin today
- Prayer Vigil is November 11-12

Our Theme for 2022: "Blessed and Blessing"



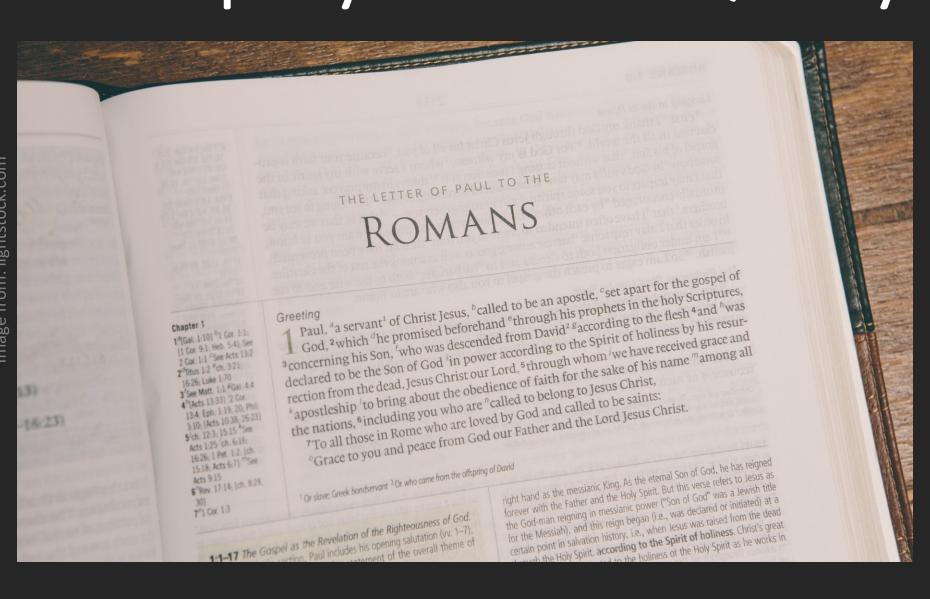


Romans Chapters 5-8

The blessing we celebrate today comes from Romans chapter 8: <u>Hope</u>



A Uniquely Christian Quality



Romans 8:14-17

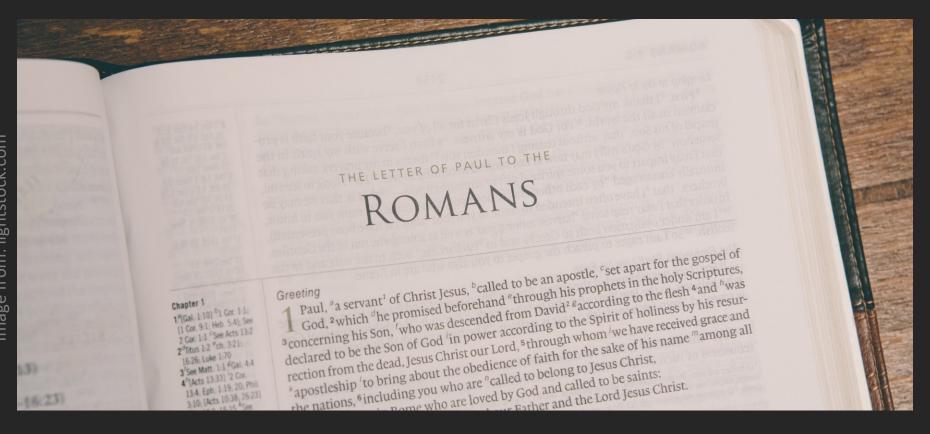
- ¹⁴ For all who are being led by the Spirit of God, these are sons of God.
- ¹⁵ For you have not received a spirit of slavery leading to fear again, but you have received a spirit of adoption as sons by which we cry out, "Abba! Father!"

*All Scriptures from 1995 New American Standard

Romans 8:14-17

¹⁶ The Spirit Himself testifies with our spirit that we are children of God, ¹⁷ and if children, heirs also, heirs of God and fellow heirs with Christ, if indeed we suffer with Him so that we may also be glorified with *Him*.

A Uniquely Christian Quality



As children of God, we have a unique certainty about our future.

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Ephesians 4:3-6

- ³ being diligent to preserve the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.
- ⁴ There is one body and one Spirit, just as also you were called in <u>one hope</u> of your calling;
- ⁵ one Lord, one faith, one baptism,
- ⁶ one God and Father of all who is over all and through all and in all.

1 Corinthians 13:13

¹³ But now faith, <u>hope</u>, love, abide these three; but the greatest of these is love.

The Future We Look Toward

1) Romans 8:28



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²⁸ And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to *His* purpose.

The Future We Look Toward

1) Romans 8:28

God will bring everything together for what is truly good for us.

The Future We Look Toward

2) Romans 8:18



Romans 8:18

- ¹⁸ For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory that is to be revealed to us.
- ¹⁹ For the anxious longing of the creation waits eagerly for the revealing of the sons of God.

The Future We Look Toward

2) Romans 8:18

> We have a far better future home.



2 Corinthians 5:8

⁸ we are of good courage, I say, and prefer rather to be absent from the body and to be <u>at home with the</u> Lord.

Revelation 21:4

⁴ and He will wipe away every tear from their eyes; and there will no longer be any death; there will no longer be any mourning, or crying, or pain; the first things have passed away."

Matthew 8:11

¹¹I say to you that many will come from east and west, and recline *at the table* with Abraham, Isaac and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven;

Shaped By Hope



Some Romans 8 verses that show us the effects of hope:

Romans 8:24-25

²⁴ For in hope we have been saved, but hope that is seen is not hope; for who hopes for what he already sees? ²⁵ But if we hope for what we do not see, with perseverance we wait eagerly for it.

Romans 8:31

What then shall we say to these things? If God *is* for us, who *is* against us?

Romans 8:35-39

³⁵ Who will separate us from the love of Christ? Will tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword?

Romans 8:35-39

³⁷ But in all these things we overwhelmingly conquer through Him who loved us.

Romans 8:35-39

- ³⁸ For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers,
- or height, nor depth, nor any other created thing, will be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Shaped By Hope



Hope produces a <u>strength</u> in us that the world cannot <u>remove</u>.

Ephesians 1:18

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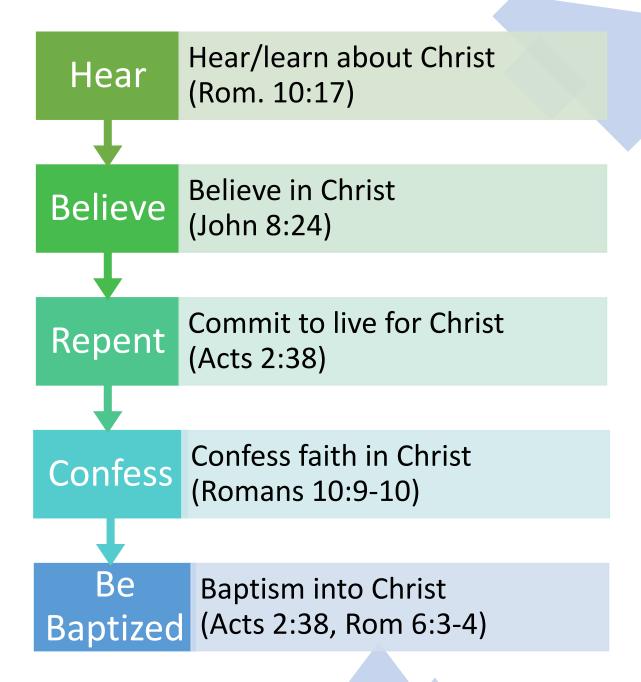


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What Must I Do To Be Saved?



James 5:16

¹⁶ Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and <u>pray for one another</u> so that you may be healed. The effective prayer of a righteous man can accomplish much.