



# ROMAINS

a new family of faith in the age of empire



**A TORAH THAT  
DISRUPTS PEACE**

**A SPIRIT  
CREATING PEACE**

**A NARRATIVE  
LEADING TO PEACE**

**A COMMUNITY  
NEEDING PEACE**

*REBUTTAL*  
to the “Weak”  
believers in Rome

*SOLUTION*  
to the Divided  
Roman Church

*EXPLANATION*  
of God’s plan for  
“Weak” & “Strong”

*CONTEXT*  
of the Divided  
Roman Church

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God's  
Righteousness  
& Humanity's  
Unrighteousness

God's  
Righteousness  
is Gifted Through  
Jesus Christ

God's People  
are Bound to  
One Another  
in Jesus Christ

God's People  
are Called to  
Christoformity  
& to live in Unity





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## ***ROMANS 5:1-11***

<sup>1</sup> Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, <sup>2</sup> through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God.



## ***ROMANS 5:1-11***

3 Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; 4 perseverance, character; and character, hope.



## ***ROMANS 5:1-11***

5 And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us. <sup>6</sup> You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly.



## ***ROMANS 5:1-11***

7 Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. <sup>8</sup> But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.



## ***ROMANS 5:1-11***

9 Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! <sup>10</sup> 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!



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<sup>11</sup> Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.





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## ***ROMANS 5:18-21***

<sup>18</sup> Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people.



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<sup>19</sup> For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.



## ***ROMANS 5:18-21***

<sup>20</sup> The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, <sup>21</sup> so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.





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## ***ROMANS 6:20-23***

<sup>20</sup> When you were slaves to sin, you were free from the control of righteousness. <sup>21</sup> What benefit did you reap at that time from the things you are now ashamed of? Those things result in death!



## ***ROMANS 6:20-23***

<sup>22</sup> But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the benefit you reap leads to holiness, and the result is eternal life. <sup>23</sup> For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.





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## ***ROMANS 8:28***

<sup>28</sup> And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to His purpose.





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