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JUSTIFIED BY FAITH

Romans 5:1 says, ***“Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”***

Justified! Declared “not guilty” just as if our sinful life had never existed. By faith upon Jesus, we have made peace with God. As unregenerate sinners, we had previously been at enmity with God, but not any longer. We now have the Prince of Peace living within us.

Sadly, not all believers choose to live in His peace. They dwell on the bad things of the past. They describe to others how deep in sin they were, just as if it were still a present-day issue. They have bought Satan’s lie (deceived) that their past is what defines them and who they still are.

Romans 5:2 says, ***“By whom (Jesus) also we have access by faith into this grace (of God) wherein we stand, and (we) rejoice in hope of the glory of God.”***

It is by faith that we have received God’s grace (favor for salvation and blessings). It is a reason for us to rejoice and be glad.

Satan will tempt you by bringing up your past. Do not fall for it. If you have repented of your sin, then in our Father’s eyes those sins and bad stuff no longer exist. He cast them all into the sea of forgetfulness.

Do not live in or dwell upon the past. Live in your present life in Christ. Live victoriously. Do not let Satan or the appearance of circumstances get you down. They open a chink in your armor (Ephesians 6) allowing an opening for Satan to come in.

We have the victory now through Christ.