

**1. Justified by faith in Jesus**

- a) Romans 5:1–5
- b) What are your thoughts about the fact that our justification has already been accomplished through Jesus Christ (having been justified)? What is left for us to do?
- c) When did God set this plan into motion? Romans 5:6–8 (see also 1 Peter 1:18–21)

**2. Saved from wrath through Jesus**

- a) Romans 5:9 (see also 1 Thessalonians 1:10)
- b) Some people view God the Father as an angry deity and Jesus the Son as a loving and kind Savior. What is the truth about the character of our heavenly Father?
- c) What texts in the Scriptures help us to understand the wrath of God? Romans 1:18 (contrast with John 3:16–17 and 2 Peter 3:9)

**3. Reconciled by His death and saved by His life**

- a) Romans 5:10–11
- b) In addition to being rescued from penalty and power of sin, what other reason do we have to rejoice?
- c) What does Paul mean when he says we are “saved by His life”? (see 1 Corinthians 15:19–22)

**4. Sin brings death**

- a) Romans 5:12

- b) Romans 6:23a

- c) Genesis 2:16–17

- d) How has the tragedy of death as a result of sin impacted your own life?

- e) Why is important to remember Jesus has the keys of the grave and death? Revelation 1:18

**5. Death impacts everyone on planet earth**

- a) Romans 5:13–14

- b) Why are innocent babies subject to death even though they have never sinned or knowingly transgressed the law of God?

- c) How would you respond to a friend who said, “It’s not fair! Just because Adam’s sinned, we are all subject to death”?

**6. The gift of life comes through Jesus Christ**

- a) Romans 5:15–19

- b) What word is repeated over and over again as Paul describes what Jesus has accomplished for us?

- c) What other passages of Scripture remind us salvation is a gift?

- i) Romans 6:23

- ii) Ephesians 2:8

- iii) John 3:16

- d) When did you accept the gift of life through Jesus?

