

Romans: The Gospel

## Saved From Wrath

Romans 5:6-11

<p><b>[Pray] :6</b></p> <p><b>Still without strength</b></p> <p><b>We were never meant to do this life without God</b></p> <p><b>Tree of Life, Garden</b></p> <p><b>Revelation 22:1-2</b> - And he showed me a pure river of water of life, clear as crystal, proceeding from the throne of God and of the Lamb. In the middle of its street, and on either side of the river, was <b>the tree of life, which bore twelve fruits, each tree yielding its fruit every month. The leaves of the tree were for the healing [therapy, cure] of the nations [ethnos].</b></p> <p><i>Isn't this a relief to hear in our time?</i></p> <p><b>We eat of plants of animals, but we don't find the strength we need to deal with life</b></p> <p><b>We need to eat from the tree of the cross</b> <b>Receive the life of Jesus</b></p> <p>Our Bibles, Prayer, Fellowship</p> <p><b>1 Peter 2:2</b> - as newborn babes, desire the pure milk of the word, <b>that you may grow thereby,</b></p>	<p><b>Who did Jesus die for?</b> <b>The ungodly</b></p> <p><b>Why? Because nobody can be godly WITHOUT God's help!</b></p> <p><b>Ungodly</b> - destitute of reverential awe towards God</p> <p><b>Jesus died for even those who weren't <u>even</u> looking for Him</b></p> <p><b>Were you looking for him your whole life?</b></p> <p>Maybe without realizing it, knowing a need, not knowing how to meet it <b>How to feed it</b></p> <p><i>"I found Jesus" vs. "Jesus found me"</i></p> <p><b>Mark 2:17</b> - When Jesus heard it, He said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to repentance."</p> <p><b>And thank God for that.</b> That Jesus looks for us, finds us, and gives us the opportunity - <i>"it leaves the ungodly no excuse"</i></p> <p><b>He died for the ungodly. That's <u>everyone</u> without Him. <u>When? In DJE time</u></b></p>
<p><b>:7</b></p> <p><b>Bodyguards</b> - paid to give lives for VIP</p> <p><b>Heroes in war</b> - will risk or sacrifice themselves to save someone else</p> <p><b>First responders</b>, emergency room</p>	<p><b>But heroism is rare.</b></p> <p>Especially in our day and age - people pick up their phones but won't help</p> <p><b>But God...</b> He didn't give his life for <b>good</b> people He gave his life for the <b>worst</b> people</p>

## And that's the hope of the gospel -

even the **worst** people have a way for salvation

*If it was up to us - it ain't happening*

**Church is very critical when the most wicked get saved**

**Cast doubt?** - might be so, don't lay hands quickly

**But on the other hand**, rejoice, encourage, pray for, disciple those wicked who have repented

**Luke 15:7** - "I say to you that likewise there will be **more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents** than over ninety-nine just persons who need no repentance.

**:8**

## God demonstrates His own love

His love isn't just in word - it's in deed

**And what is the ultimate show of that love?**

**Jesus dying for US**

**There is no greater contrast between God's goodness and our wickedness**

*"He may give other proof, but no greater"*

The perfect, holy, all-powerful God  
Chooses to die to save and give opportunity to **even his worst enemies**

**Those who would** spit on him, punch him, make fun of him

And **nail him to a cross**

## Remember that when ministering to or praying for sinners (the world)

**We don't condone** their sin or make them comfortable in it, **that's not love**

**But we remember that they're helpless without Jesus**

**enemies yes - but paid for**  
And He died for THEM

**Getting mad at the world for being unrighteous...of course they are!**  
They need Jesus

**We can get mad at the church for being unrighteous, unrepentant**

**But why do we put the weight on the world we ourselves cannot bear?**

**Why do we expect the world to be good without God?**

Who died for all of us? Sinner and saint?  
Jesus.

**And when we were all at our worst.**

**:9**

## Two goals of the cross

**1 - justified by His blood**

**Just as if i never sinned**

**Made right legally before God**

**Forgiven, relationship restored**  
*(remember the garden...walking...kicked out)*

<p><b>2 - saved from His <u>righteous</u> wrath</b></p> <p>All the <b>eternal consequence</b> done away with</p> <p><b>Criminal on earth</b> - caught, tried, convicted, sentenced</p> <p><b>Might be truly sorry</b>, even have a relationship through forgiveness with the victim</p> <p><b>But still must carry out the sentence</b></p> <p><b><u>Not so for us!</u></b></p> <p><b>Sure, there are consequences to our sin</b> - fruit from our wicked labor And God even is gracious in that</p> <p><b><u>But what won't we get? His wrath!</u></b></p> <p><b><u>THIS IS HUGE. THIS IS THE GOSPEL ITSELF.</u></b></p> <p><b>Revelation 14:6-11</b> - Then I saw another angel flying in the midst of heaven, having the everlasting gospel to preach to those who dwell on the earth--</p>	<p><b>Why an angel?</b></p> <p><b>The church (at large) is gone.</b> <b>Yet God wants the people left to be saved.</b></p> <p>to every nation, tribe, tongue, and people-- saying with a loud voice, "Fear God and give glory to Him, for the hour of His judgment has come; and worship Him who made heaven and earth, the sea and springs of water." And another angel followed, saying, "Babylon is fallen, is fallen, that great city, because she has made all nations drink of the wine of the wrath of her fornication." Then a third angel followed them, saying with a loud voice, "If anyone worships the beast and his image, and receives his mark on his forehead or on his hand, <b>"he himself shall also drink of the wine of the wrath of God, which is poured out full strength into the cup of His indignation.</b> He shall be tormented with fire and brimstone in the presence of the holy angels and in the presence of the Lamb. "And the smoke of their torment ascends forever and ever; and they have no rest day or night, who worship the beast and his image, and whoever receives the mark of his name."</p>
<p><b>God's wrath is upon those</b> who have not only rejected Jesus, rejected the gospel, but gone full after satan and his false messiah, the antichrist</p> <p><b>They're sealed by the mark</b> <b>You're sealed with the Holy Spirit</b> (who leaves before Trib... You won't be left orphans...)</p> <p><b>This is who His wrath is for</b> - his enemies who remain enemies and want to be enemies</p>	<p><b>So no!</b> <b>church, Christian, believer</b> <b>God's wrath is not for you!</b></p> <p><b>You are NOT HIS ENEMY.</b></p> <p><b>You will have tribulation</b> - trouble - that's a promise, that's obvious And some is <b>consequence</b> of sin</p> <p><b><u>But the great hour trial come upon the earth to try the whole world?</u></b> <b><u>That is not for you</u></b></p>
<p><b>Even we</b>, being wicked, know how to pull our <b>ambassadors</b> out before the bombing begins</p>	<p><b>Even we</b>, warn the enemy with leaflets from airplanes flying overhead before the war begins</p>

<p><b>Jesus is coming back...and soon</b></p> <p><i>What Got me saved...Revelation Knowing Jesus was coming back, not ready And I always believe it, know it's soon Even if 500 years, still soon... But lately in my devo the Lord keeps ministering that He's coming back soon. I think we're really getting there...</i></p>	<p><b>Do you think God will leave you here to endure his wrath?</b></p> <p><b>Let's go to the first time He poured out his wrath...with water</b></p> <p><b>Genesis 5:24</b> - And Enoch walked with God; and he was not, for God took him.</p>
<p><b>Noah was saved through the flood to repopulate the earth -</b></p> <p>like those who will come to faith during the <b>tribulation</b>, like the nation of <b>Israel</b> who will turn back during the tribulation To be on the earth for the millennial reign</p> <p><b>But Enoch, like the church</b>, walks with God now - before the flood - and is taken before it</p> <p><b>Not taken <u>through</u> wrath, but saved <u>from</u> it</b></p>	<p><i>Late bus or early bus?</i></p> <p><b>The result of the doctrine:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Are we looking for his wrath? Are we looking for the ac?</li> <li>• Or are we looking for salvation?</li> <li>• Our Jesus?</li> </ul> <p><b>THIS <u>IS</u> THE GOSPEL:</b></p> <p><b>We deserve wrath, but God won't put it on us</b></p>
<p><b>:10-11</b></p> <p><b>When we were enemies</b></p> <p>Again, Jesus died for His enemies <b>to make us his <u>friends</u></b></p> <p><i>That's the gospel, enemies made family</i></p> <p><b>Reconciled through <u>death</u> -</b> it was the only thing powerful enough <b>Saved by life</b></p> <p><b>Jesus death AND resurrection</b> They don't work without each other We focus on his death (great) But we forget about His resurrection!</p> <p>Who's the conduit? Not mary. Not the saints. Not works. <b>Jesus</b></p>	

wrath is not for the believer  
It's for the unbelieving world

### **Wrath poured out on nations**

(nations don't go to eternity and need to face judgment)

**But also wrath poured out as grace and mercy - as a final call to repent**

**Revelation 6:15-17** - And the kings of the earth, the great men, the rich men, the commanders, the mighty men, every slave and every free man, hid themselves in the caves and in the rocks of the mountains, and said to the mountains and rocks, "**Fall on us and hide us from the face of Him who sits on the throne and from the wrath of the Lamb! "For the great day of His wrath has come, and who is able to stand?"**

**Only one way out of wrath -  
Jesus' death and resurrection**

**His wrath is serious.  
Get right with Him.  
He doesn't want you to have it.**

**He wants you to be  
SAVED FROM WRATH.**