

Unshakeable Confidence!

Text: Romans 5:1-5

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Big Idea:

Context is key!

Question #1 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What is going on in the text?

- a) What is the setting and what is happening?
- b) Who are the main characters?
- c) Are there any words/phrases that are repeated?

Question #2 (Context)

Ask Yourself: What does the text say about God and about me?

- a) Is God saying or showing something about Himself? If so, what?
- b) Do the words in the text predict, prophesy or picture something about Jesus? If so, what?
- c) Is God saying or showing something about us? If so, what?
- d) How does the text point to my need for Jesus? How?

Question #3

a) These 4 words help describe the gospel. Expand on each word and find a Scripture to support how this word helps explain the gospel...

God:

Sin:

Jesus:

Response:

b) Write out the gospel in your own words; and share it with your small group.

When my confidence is in the gospel, I live by faith from...

Point 1: My _____ in Jesus (vv. 1-2)

Question: Gospel confidence believes, "I am justified before God." Are you living from this position?
Sermon Notes...

Justified by faith...

a) _____ with God...Total Acceptance! (v. 1b)

b) _____ of God...Total Access! (v. 2a)

c) _____ of God...Total Assurance! (v. 2b)

Question #5

a) **Rd vv. 1-2:** What does the term 'justified by faith' mean?

Point 2: An _____ through Jesus (vv. 3-4)

Question: Gospel confidence rejoices in suffering. Is your perspective in suffering an eternal one?

Sermon Notes...

Question #6

a) **Rd vv. 3-4:** What does Paul say is the reason we can rejoice/have hope in our sufferings?

b) Why is rejoicing in our suffering so hard?

c) Share some trials you are going through and spend time in prayer for one another.

Point 3: My _____ from Jesus (v. 5)

Question: Gospel confidence is empowered by the Holy Spirit. Will you depend on Him?

Sermon Notes...

Question #8

a) **Rd. v. 5:** How does depending on the Holy Spirit give us an unshakeable confidence in the gospel?

b) What does it look like to depend on the Holy Spirit daily and put your confidence in Him?

Prayer Application

Spend time as a group/in accountability in prayer...

a) REVERENCE before God: Jesus, You are a faithful God who_____.

b) HUMILITY before God: Jesus, I confess i) Not living from my justified position when____. ii) Not living with an eternal perspective through my suffering in____ iii) My lack of dependence on the Holy Spirit in_____.

c) THANKSGIVING: Jesus, thank You for your work of justifying me that has_____.

d) SUPPLICATION to God: Jesus, I ask for faith to set my confidence in the gospel when_____.

Memory Verse:

"Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ."-Romans 5:1

