

Dying for the Undeserving

Romans 5:6-11



Romans 5:6-11 (ESV)

6 For while we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly.

7 For one will scarcely die for a righteous person— though perhaps for a good person one would dare even to die—

8 but God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

Romans 5:6-11 (ESV)

9 Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.

10 For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

11 More than that, we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.

Theme: Jesus' sacrifice for us on the cross was the greatest act of love imaginable for a world so undeserving

I. Consider man's unworthiness

Romans 3:10-20 (ESV)

As it is written: “None is righteous, no, not one;
No one understands; no one seeks for God.

All have turned aside; together they have become
worthless; no one does good, not even one.”

“Their throat is an open grave; they use their tongues to
deceive.” “The venom of asps is under their lips.”

“Their mouth is full of curses and bitterness.”

“Their feet are swift to shed blood;

In their paths are ruin and misery,

Romans 3:10-20 (ESV)

And the way of peace they have not known.” “There is no fear of God before their eyes.”

19 Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God.

20 For by works of the law no human being will be justified in his sight, since through the law comes knowledge of sin.

Romans 6:23a (ESV)

“For the wages of sin is death...”

“If God loved us because we loved him, he would love us only so long as we love him, and on that condition; and then our salvation would depend on the constancy of our treacherous hearts. But as God loved us as sinners, as Christ died for us as ungodly, our salvation depends, as the apostle argues, not on our loveliness, but on the constancy of the love of God”

-Charles Hodge

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II. Consider what Christ gave up

Philippians 2:6-8 (ESV)

6 Who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped,

7 but **emptied himself**, by taking the form of a **servant**, being born in the likeness of men.

8 And being found in human form, he **humbled himself** by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

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III. Consider what Christ is offering

