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Romans- Live with Clarity

CHAPTER 5 & 6

- BIBLE STUDY CHALLENGE - Read the book of Romans - 2 chapters a week for 8 weeks. This takes 5-10 minutes for 2 chapters. YOU CAN DO THIS!
- BIBLE STUDY DOWNLOAD - Romans workbook - look on the inside cover of the workbook for the access code. Scripture memory cards can be found in the back of the workbook.

CHAPTER 5 - CONCEPTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

BIG IDEA: God uses difficulties to develop us!

- Verse 1 - Therefore, since we have been declared righteous, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Peace WITH God brings the peace OF God!
- Verse 3 - ...we also rejoice in our afflictions, because we know that affliction produces endurance, endurance produces proven character, and proven character produces hope.
- Verse 5 - This hope will not disappoint, because God's love has been poured out in our hearts through the Holy Spirit who was given for us.

Application Question: What does affliction produce in you?

Consider it a sheer gift, friends, when tests and challenges come at you from all sides. You know that under pressure, your faith-life is forced into the open and shows its true colors. So don't try to get out of anything prematurely. Let it do its work so you become mature and well-developed, not deficient in any way. If you don't know what you're doing, pray to the Father. He loves to help. You'll get his help, and won't be condescended to when you ask for it. Ask boldly, believingly, without a second thought. People who "worry their prayers" are like wind-whipped waves. Don't think you're going to get anything from the Master that way, adrift at sea, keeping all your options open. - James 1:2-8 (The Message)

CHAPTER 6 - CONCEPTS AND HIGHLIGHTS

BIG IDEA: New Life in Christ releases us from the power of sin in our lives.

- Once we have accepted Christ we are no longer dominated by sin.
- Paul appeals to the Christians to become in practice what they are in status.
- Offer yourself to God as an instrument of righteousness.

MEMORY VERSE:

"...the righteous will live by faith." - Romans 1:17