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### The Reconciliation and the life 5:9-11

- Initial observations
  - Much more than
    - Mentioned in verse 9, 10, 15 and 17
  - ‘Not only this, but also’ in verse 11
  - Seems to be a crescendo here of all that God has done and is doing
  - Reconciled used for the first time in Romans (verse 10 & 11)
  - Similarities between verses 9-11 and pervious verses

<u>Verse 9</u> – having now been justified	<u>Verse 1</u> – having been justified
<u>Verse 10</u> – while we were enemies	<u>Verse 6</u> – while we were still helpless <u>Verse 8</u> – while we were yet sinners
<u>Verse 11</u> – we exalt in God <u>Verse 11</u> – through our Lord Jesus Christ	<u>Verse 3</u> – we exalt in tribulations <u>Verse 1</u> – through our Lord Jesus Christ



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Verse 9 – Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him.

Verse 10 – For if while we were enemies, we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life.

- Verse 9
  - Much more then
  - Having now been justified
  - We shall be saved
  - Through Him
- Verse 10
  - Much more
  - We were reconciled - having been reconciled
  - We shall be saved
  - By His life



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- Much more than
  - Much more than what? (verses 1-8)
    - Having been justified by faith
    - Having peace with God
    - Having obtained our introduction into grace
    - Exalting in hope of the glory of God
    - Exalting in tribulation
    - Having Gods love poured out to us
    - Having Christ die for us
  - This is an argument from the greater to the lesser
    - God has already done the more difficult part, that is:
      - Dying for the helpless and ungodly
      - Dying for us when while we were sinners
    - Now what is left for God to do is in a sense the easier part, that is:
      - Save us from the wrath of God through Christ
      - Now that we are believers and declared righteous we shall be saved from the coming wrath.
      - And this is a result of having been justified by (means of) His blood



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- Having now been justified by His blood
  - Aorist, passive, participle
    - Aorist points to the completed action
    - Passive - God is the one doing the justifying
  - By/through/in his blood
    - Christ blood is the means of justification
- We shall be saved from the wrath of God through Him
  - To save - rescue or deliver from the wrath of God at the last day.
  - This is in contrast to Chapter 2:1-5
  - Future, indicative, passive
    - Passive – God is the one doing the saving
  - Through Him – pointing back to the blood
- While we were enemies (combination of the participle showing action and the noun)
  - While we were – present, active, participle – present tense meaning the action that is occurring at that specific time and is a continuous action – even though we were still enemies at that time.
  - Enemies - Hostile, hating and opposing another – used here of man at enmity with God because of sin.



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- We were reconciled to God
  - Verse 10 uses the word reconcile and verse 9 used the word justified
    - Justified is a legal/courtroom term where one is declared righteous – man is declared righteous before God.
    - Reconcile is a relational term where peace is made between two estranged parties – peace is made between God and man.
    - Reconcile – to exchange enmity for friendship – to be brought into a right relationship with God – to be brought from the place of an enemy to the place of a friend.
  - We were reconciled - indicative, aorist, passive – passive means that the subject received the action of the verb, therefore God did the work of reconciling us to him
- By the death of His Son
  - It was possible for mankind to have a relationship change with God because of what Christ did on the cross.
  - 2 Cor. 5:19-20



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- Reconciliation has two aspects:
  - 1) Reconciliation accomplished through Christ on the Cross, ‘in Christ God was reconciling the world to Himself’
  - 2) Mankind by faith receiving the reconciliation that Christ has accomplished, ‘we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God’.
- Much more having been reconciled we shall be saved by/in His life
  - Much more and saved are the same as verse 9 (God has done the harder part saving us, now the easier part is keeping us from the wrath of the last days.)
  - Having been reconciled – aorist, passive, participle - a completed action done to us by God
    - Taken from being an enemy of God to a child of God
      - Romans 8:14-17
  - By/In His life – because Christ gave up his life for us – shedding His blood for us and satisfying God so that we could have a relationship with Him.
    - As believers we are ‘in Christ’ therefore we are saved in His life from the wrath to come.



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- And not only this, but . . .
  - Telling us that despite all that he has already said, he has something more to say
- We exalt:
  - In God
  - Through our Lord Jesus Christ
  - Through whom we have now received the reconciliation
- We exalt:
  - Present, middle, participle – right now we are involved in exalting
  - The exalting/boasting/glorying is in God because of all that God has done for us, specifically reconciliation
  - And this was through the Lord Jesus Christ
    - Verse 1, 2, 6, 8, 9-10 look at all the things that are through Christ
    - In light of this one cannot help but exalt in God because of Christ
- We have now received the reconciliation
  - Have now received – aorist, active, indicative
    - completed action of receiving
  - Reconciliation – noun form of the verb being reconciled