

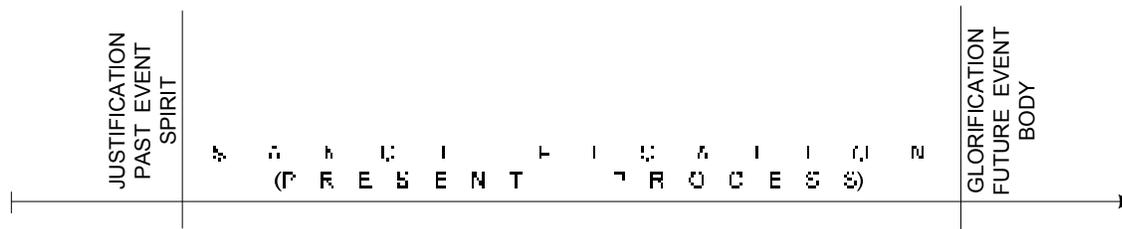
Romans 5 - Glorification and Eternal Security

The Three Tenses of Our Salvation

Past - Justification - Romans 1-4. Rom5:1 *“Therefore being justified (having been justified) by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

Present - Sanctification - Romans 12-16. Rom5:2a *“By whom also we have access (have had access) by faith into this grace wherein we stand.”* Always “stand” in grace.

Future - Glorification - Romans 5-11. Rom5:2b *“And rejoice in hope of the glory of God.”*



Spirits justified, bodies unchanged. Sanctification not an event.

Three Reasons We Have Eternal Security (or Three Reasons Why All Who Have Been Justified Will Be Glorified)

Reason #1) We Have Eternal Security Because Of God’s Promise

Rom5:2b *“And rejoice (or boast, *kaukometha*) in hope of the glory of God.”* Not presumption.

Sometimes = Honor. Often = Brightness: Webster’s Original Dictionary: “GLO’RY, n. ... 1. Brightness. Liddell & Scott Greek-English Lexicon: “*doksa* ... III. of external appearance ... effulgence, N. T.” Webster’s Original Dictionary: “EFFUL’GENCE, n. A flood of light; great luster or brightness.”

Glory = Brightness: 2Cor3:7. *“The children of Israel could not steadfastly behold the face of Moses for the glory of his countenance.”*

Glory = Brightness: Acts22:6-11. *“About noon, suddenly there shone from heaven a great light round about me. ... 8 And he said unto me, I am Jesus of Nazareth, ... 11 And when I could not see for the glory of that light, being led by the hand of them that were with me, I came into Damascus.”*

How Jesus Looks Today: Rev1:15-16. *“His feet like unto fine brass, as if they burned in a furnace; ... 16 and his countenance was as the sun shineth in his strength.”*

Changed, Not New. Phil3:20-21. *“We look for the Saviour, the Lord Jesus Christ: 21 Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body, according to the working whereby he is able even to subdue all things unto himself.”* Only get one body.

Irreplaceable. Cannot let Satan win. Meaning of 'resurrection'. Jesus' tomb was empty. Our tombs.

Our Glorified Bodies Will Be Immortal, Incorruptible, and Spiritual, but Not Spirit. Jesus: Lu24:39. "***Behold my hands and my feet, that it is I myself: handle me, and see; for a spirit hath not flesh and bones, as ye see me have.***" Physical things can be 'spiritual'; they cannot be 'spirit'. "***Flesh and blood shall not inherit the kingdom of God***" (ICor15:50), but "***flesh and bones***" (Lu24:39) shall.

THE Hope: Titus2:13. "***Looking for that blessed hope, and the glorious appearing of the great God and our Saviour Jesus Christ.***" Important because 1/3 of our salvation.

THE Hope: Col1:27. "***Christ in you, the hope of glory.***"

Reason #2) We Have Eternal Security Because Of God's Love

Knowing: Rom5:3. "***And not only so, but we glory (rejoice or boast, *kaukometha*) in tribulations also: knowing that tribulation worketh patience; 4 And patience, experience; and experience, hope.***"

Suffering Produces Glory: 2Co4:17. "***Our light affliction, which is but for a moment, worketh for us a far more exceeding and eternal weight of glory.***"

Degrees of Glory: 1Cor15:41. "***There is one glory of the sun, and another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars: for one star differeth from another star in glory.***" After glorification.

The Greatest Gift: Rom5:5. "***And hope maketh not ashamed, because the love of God is shed abroad in our hearts by the Holy Ghost which is given unto us.***"

God's Love To Sinners: Rom5:6-8. "***For when we were yet without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die: yet peradventure for a good man some would even dare to die. 8 But God commendeth his love toward us, in that, while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.***"

God's Love To the Justified: Rom5:9-10. "***Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. 10 For if, when we were enemies, we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, being reconciled, we shall be saved by his life.***" Shall be saved, future tense.

Reason #3) We Have Eternal Security Because Of God's Work

Rom5:11. "***And not only so, but we also joy (rejoice or boast, *kaukometha*) in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom we have now received the atonement.***"

Our Union With Adam: Rom5:12-14. "***Wherefore, as by one man sin entered into the world, and death by sin; and so death passed upon all men, for that all have sinned (all sinned): 13 For until the law sin was in the world: but sin is not imputed when there is no law. 14 Nevertheless death reigned from Adam to Moses, even over them that had not sinned after the similitude of Adam's transgression, who is the figure of him that was to come.***"

Differences: Rom5:15-17. ***“But not as the offence (transgression), so also is the free gift (gracious gift). For if through the offence (transgression) of one many be dead, much more the grace of God, and the gift by grace, which is by one man, Jesus Christ, hath abounded unto many. 16 And not as it was by one that sinned, so is the gift: for the judgment was by one to condemnation, but the free gift (gracious gift) is of many offences (transgressions) unto justification. 17 For if by one man's offence (transgression) death reigned by one; much more they which receive abundance of grace and of the gift of righteousness shall reign in life by one, Jesus Christ.”***

Actions: Rom5:18-19. ***“Therefore as by the offence (transgression) of one judgment came upon all men to condemnation; even so by the righteousness (righteous act) of one the free gift came upon all men unto justification of life. 19 For as by one man's disobedience many were made (designated) sinners, so by the obedience of one shall many be made (designated) righteous.”***

Grace: Rom5:20-21. ***“Moreover the law entered (entered alongside), that the offence might abound (increase). But where sin abounded (increased), grace did much more abound (super-abound): 21 That as sin hath reigned unto death, even so might grace reign through righteousness unto eternal life by Jesus Christ our Lord.”***

Confirmation of Interpretation: Rom6:1. ***“What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin, that grace may abound?”*** If your teaching doesn't expose you to this objection, you are not teaching grace and eternal security.

What do you give a person who has everything?

Maybe a gemstone with a secret new name. Rev2:17. ***“To him that overcometh will I give ... a white stone, and in the stone a new name written, which no man knoweth saving he that receiveth it.”***

Maybe a crown only those who love his appearing can wear. II Tim4:7-8. ***“I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing.”***

Some, when they are glorified, will shine really bright. Dan12:2-3. ***“And many of them that sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. And they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament; and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars for ever and ever.”***

Some, when they are glorified, will not shine quite so bright – for ever and ever. We are not in competition, but we should invest in our future. Jim Elliot said, “He is no fool who gives up what he cannot keep, to gain what he cannot lose.”

If you don't know the Lord, thankfully your future judgment is not certain, because you can change your destiny today. “God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth on him, shall not perish, but have everlasting life.” John 3:16. In your heart right now, tell him you trust in what he did for you. Trust his word that if you believe (trust) in him you will have everlasting life.