



**Romans:
Life through
faith in Jesus**



Romans 5:1-11

From Foes to Friends

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A stone cross stands at the end of a long, narrow path made of large, irregular stones. The path leads from the bottom center of the frame towards the cross, which is centered at the top. The background is dark, making the cross and the path stand out.

Romans 5

¹ Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God.



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³ Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.



Romans 5

⁶ You see, at just the right time, when we were still powerless, Christ died for the ungodly. ⁷ Very rarely will anyone die for a righteous person, though for a good person someone might possibly dare to die. ⁸ But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.



Romans 5

⁹ Since we have now been justified by his blood, how much more shall we be saved from God's wrath through him! ¹⁰ For if, while we were God's enemies, we were reconciled to him through the death of his Son, how much more, having been reconciled, shall we be saved through his life! ¹¹ Not only is this so, but we also boast in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received reconciliation.



1. Foes of God

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Romans 3:23

for all have sinned and fall short of the
glory of God



Psalm 51:4

Against you, you only, have I sinned and
done what is evil in your sight;

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2. Friends of God

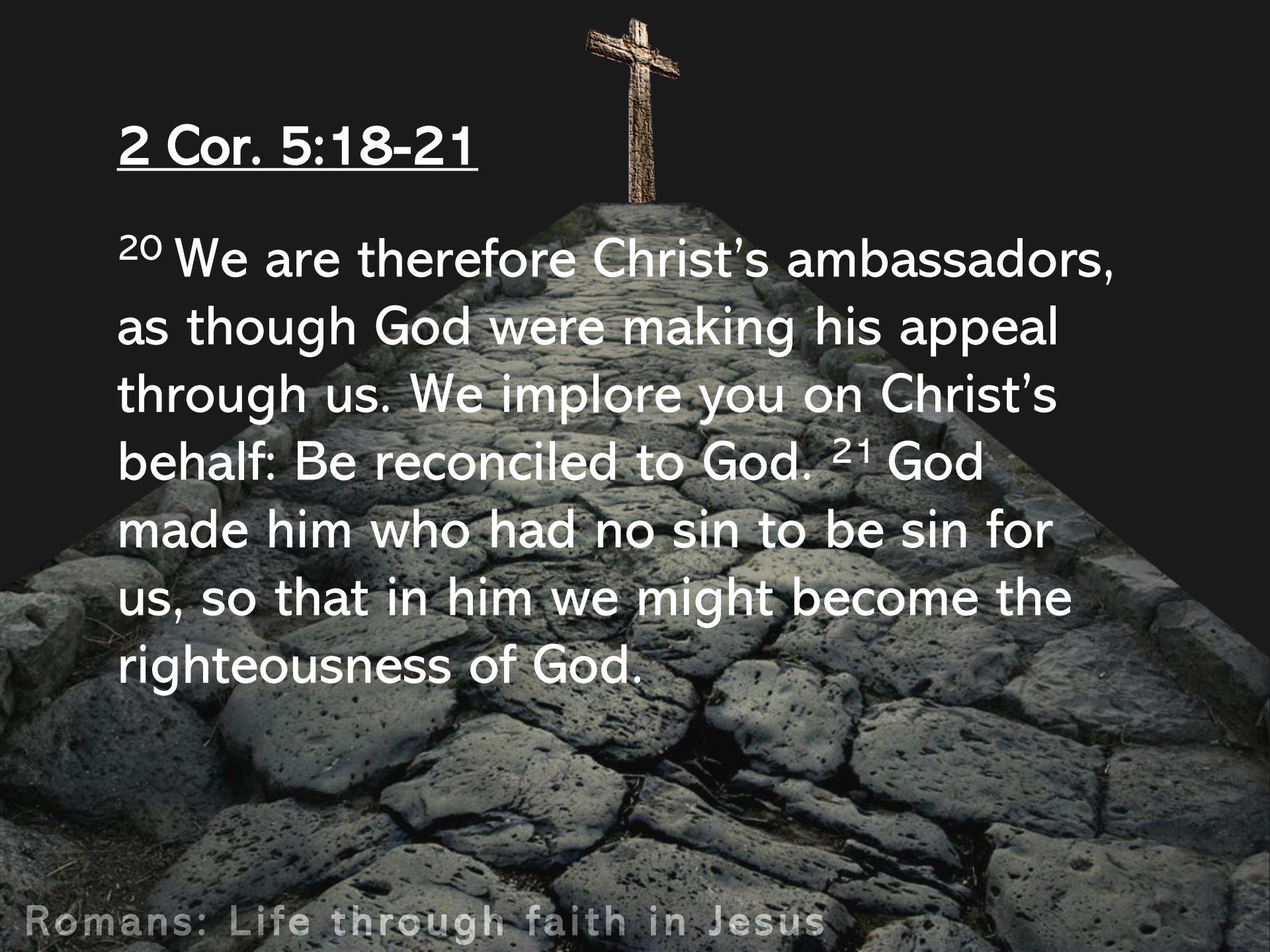
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A wooden cross stands at the end of a stone path that recedes into the distance. The path is made of large, irregular stones and is flanked by a low stone wall. The background is dark, making the cross and the path stand out.

2 Cor. 5:18-21

¹⁸ All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation: ¹⁹ that God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation.

2 Cor. 5:18-21

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²⁰ We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be reconciled to God. ²¹ God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.



Col. 1:19-23

¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him [Jesus], ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross. ²¹ Once you were alienated from God and were enemies in your minds because of your evil behavior.

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Col. 1:19-23

²² But now he has reconciled you by Christ's physical body through death to present you holy in his sight, without blemish and free from accusation— ²³ if you continue in your faith, established and firm, and do not move from the hope held out in the gospel. This is the gospel that you heard and that has been proclaimed to every creature under heaven, and of which I, Paul, have become a servant.

John 15:13 – 15



Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends. ¹⁴ You are my friends if you do what I command. ¹⁵ I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master's business. Instead, I have called you friends, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.

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Romans 8:17

¹⁷ Now if we are children, then we are heirs—heirs of God and co-heirs with Christ, if indeed we share in his sufferings in order that we may also share in his glory.

1 Thess. 5:9

⁹ For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ.

1 John 5:13

¹³ I write these things to you who believe in the name of the Son of God so that you may know that you have eternal life.



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