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Romans 5 (NIV)

Peace and Hope

5 Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ²through 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.

³ Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴perseverance, 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.

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.

But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

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.

Death Through Adam, Life Through Christ

¹² Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned—

¹³ To be sure, sin was in the world before the law was given, but sin is not charged against anyone's account where there is no law.

¹⁴ Nevertheless, death reigned from the time of Adam to the time of Moses, even over those who did not sin by breaking a command, as did Adam, who is a pattern of the one to come.

Romans 5 ...continued

¹⁵ But the gift is not like the trespass. For if the many died by the trespass of the one man, how much more did God's grace and the gift that came by the grace of the one man, Jesus Christ, overflow to the many!

¹⁶ Nor can the gift of God be compared with the result of one man's sin: The judgment followed one sin and brought condemnation, but the gift followed many trespasses and brought justification.

¹⁷ For if, by the trespass of the one man, death reigned through that one man, how much more will those who receive God's abundant provision of grace and of the gift of righteousness reign in life through the one man, Jesus Christ!

¹⁸ Consequently, just as one trespass resulted in condemnation for all people, so also one righteous act resulted in justification and life for all people.

¹⁹ For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

²⁰ The law was brought in so that the trespass might increase. But where sin increased, grace increased all the more, ²¹so that, just as sin reigned in death, so also grace might reign through righteousness to bring eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord.

LIFE LESSONS FROM THE EASTER BUNNY

Don't put all of your eggs in one basket.
Everyone needs a friend who is all ears.
You can never have too much chocolate.
Let happy thoughts multiply like rabbits.

Some body parts should be floppy.

~ Unknown



22 April ~ Mavis Chaffey



CHURCH SERVICES

24 April 11 am **West** ~ Meg Mangan

24 April 8.30 am **Gowrie** ~ Meg Mangan



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IN OUR PRAYERS

- We pray that the holy time of Easter brings a halt to the conflict in Ukraine.
- We pray for those people on the coast who still have massive problems caused by the recent floods.
- We give thanks for the first of the autumn leaves.
- We pray for everyone travelling this Easter.
- We pray for a safe and happy time for the Country Music visitors this week.



Meg's Musings

Easter has become a time when people travel. The cheap alternative is camping in the bush, with kids free to explore the area and experience new sights, smells and sounds. These days, many people choose to fly to more distant places. This year, that has created chaos at airports. Last Wednesday, Sydney airport had queues out the door at 6:00am, following several days of airport chaos. People seem stressed and jaded, and are keener than ever to leave "normality" behind, and to go somewhere new and different. Perhaps the time has come for Easter to become a time for inner journeying - for looking inside themselves, and discerning new meaning in the Easter story, and in their everyday lives. The advantage of an inner journey is that it changes us on the inside, rather than just changing our surroundings for a short time. Blessing from Meg



Ecclesiastes 4:9

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John 5:17-23 (NIV)

¹⁷ In his defense Jesus said to them, "My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too am working."
¹⁸ For this reason they tried all the more to kill him; not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.
¹⁹ Jesus gave them this answer: "Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does.
²⁰ For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does. Yes, and he will show him even greater works than these, so that you will be amazed.
²¹ For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son gives life to whom he is pleased to give it.
²² Moreover, the Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son, ²³ that all may honor the Son just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father, who sent him.

Ecclesiastes 4:9-12 (NIV)

⁹ Two are better than one, because they have a good return for their labour:
¹⁰ If either of them falls down, one can help the other up. But pity anyone who falls and has no one to help them up.
¹¹ Also, if two lie down together, they will keep warm. But how can one keep warm alone?
¹² Though one may be overpowered, two can defend themselves. A cord of three strands is not quickly broken.



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