

Romans 5:1-11  
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Nothing Between  
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Introduction: Maintaining a Heart on Fire for God through Tears of Joy

Key Question: Is there a relationship with God that can sustain joy through tears? And, if so, what are the dimensions of that relationship?

- I. We Can Have Peace with God (vv. 1-2)  
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  - a. Since we have been justified by faith (v. 1)  
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  - b. Since we have “access” by faith into grace (v. 2)  
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- II. We Can Have Joy in Suffering (v. 3)  
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  - a. We rejoice “in” our sufferings (v. 3a)  
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  - b. We receive hope “beyond” our sufferings (v. 3b-5)  
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- III. We Can Have Love beyond Sin
  - a. The reasons God should not love us (vv. 6-10)  
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  - b. The reason God does love us (vv. 8-11)  
(vv. 8-11)

Conclusion: Nothing Between Us and God