



Today's sermon

Believers have eternal life



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1 John 5:13—These things have I written unto you that believe in the name of the Son of God; that ye may know that ye have eternal life, and that ye may believe on the name of the Son of God.

We find this verse, making a precious promise to those who believe in the name of the Son of God. It declares that the believer has eternal life. It is speaking of the one, who is believing in Christ as God's Son and resting in the sacrifice that Christ made at the cross, as having forgiven his sins.

Ephesians 1:7—In whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins, according to the riches of His grace.

Christ's sacrifice and His shed blood is forgiveness for sinners who believe and trust in it. This truth is also set forth in *1 John 4:10*. This scripture reads Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us, and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins. Propitiation means to make satisfaction for. So God is saying that Christ had made satisfaction for sinners who believe and trust this.

Also in *Acts 13:38-39*—Be it known unto you men and brethren, that through this man is preached unto you the forgiveness of sins. And by Him all that believe are justified from all things, from which ye could not be justified by the law of Moses.

So then, these two verses declare, that all who believe on Christ and His sacrifice are justified from all things. To those who believe, great peace is brought by God saying that all, not some, but all, that believe, are justified from not just some, but all, sin.

Romans 4:25—Who was delivered for our offenses, and was raised again for our justification.

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