Ultimate Sacrifice

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"Therefore, since we have been **made right** in God's sight by faith, we have **peace with God** because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us. ² Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of **undeserved privilege** where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully **look forward** to sharing God's glory." Romans 5:1-2

Why remember? Because Jesus death enables us to...

1. Be made right with God

"Therefore, since we have been made right in God's sight by faith..." Romans 5:1a

"When Adam sinned, sin entered the world. Adam's sin brought death, so death spread to everyone, for everyone sinned."
Romans 5:12

"When we were utterly helpless, Christ came at just the right time and died for us sinners...But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners." Romans 5:6 & 8

2. Experience peace with God

"...we have **peace with God** because of what Jesus Christ our Lord has done for us." Rom 5:1

"But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness." 1 John 1:9

"For the accuser (devil) of our brothers and sisters" Revelation 12:10

"And since we have been made right in God's sight by the blood of Christ, he will certainly save us from God's condemnation."
Romans 5:9

3. Enjoy a position of underserved privilege

"Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand..." Rom 5:2a

4. Look forward to a glorious future

"...we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory." Rom 5:2b

"Yes, Adam's one sin brings condemnation for everyone, but Christ's one act of righteousness brings a right relationship with God and new life for everyone. ¹⁹ Because one person disobeyed God, many became sinners. But because one other person obeyed God, many will be made righteous" Rom 5:18-19

"But as people sinned more and more, God's wonderful grace became more abundant. ²¹ So just as sin ruled over all people and brought them to death, now God's wonderful grace rules instead, giving us right standing with God and resulting in eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." Rom 5:20-21 (NLT)

"But sin didn't, and doesn't, have a chance in competition with the aggressive forgiveness we call grace. When it's sin versus grace, grace wins hands down. All sin can do is threaten us with death, and that's the end of it. **Grace...invites us into life**—a life that goes on and on and on, world without end." Rom 5:20-21 (MT)