

## AM Sermon Notes

**Text:** *Romans 5:6-11*

**Title:** His Death, My Life

**Central Truth:** Through Jesus' death on the cross, God has done for us what we could not do for ourselves - bring us back to Him.

### **I. vv. 6-8: The Proof of God's Love**

**v. 6:** KJV - **without strength**, NIV - **powerless**, NASB - **helpless**, ESV - **weak** Literally this word means "no strength". Spiritually speaking it describes the state or condition of a lost person who has no power or capacity to do anything toward being saved (*c.f. Ephesians 2:1*).

**Ungodly** - (*c.f. Romans 1:18*) It refers to those who actively and willfully oppose God.

**v. 8:** KJV - **commendeth**, **demonstrates** - It has the meaning of showing, proving or establishing. The present tense means that it is a continual, ongoing reality. **Sinners** - This word means to miss the mark.

### **II. vv. 9-11: The Power of Jesus' Life**

**v. 9:** Paul is using a method of reasoning employed by Rabbis called "light and heavy". Paul argues from the "heavy" to the "light".

**v. 10:** **Enemies** - This is a strong word which refers to open hostility to God! What Paul wants us to understand is that since God has the power to save us (*heavy*), then He certainly has the power to keep us saved (*light*). If a dying Savior reconciled us to God, then surely a living Savior can keep us reconciled (*c.f. Hebrews 7:5*).

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