

COMMUNITY GROUP QUESTIONS FOR ROMANS

WARM UP

Share about a time when God stretched and grew your faith. Why is our faith so important to God?

For the leader, once the discussion on the above question comes to a close, consider pointing out that Hebrews 11:6 says, “without faith, it is impossible to please God, because anyone who comes to Him must believe that He exists and that He rewards those who earnestly seek Him”. Please also point out that in Romans 1:16, Paul declares “For I am not ashamed of the Gospel, because it is the power of salvation for all who believe” and then he says in v. 17 “just as it is written, the righteous shall live by faith.”

EXPLORATION

1. Romans 1:18-32 describes how the evidence of God revealed in His creation leaves everyone without excuse for believing in God or seeking to know Him. The passage then goes on to describe how all of humanity has turned away from God to pursue their own sinful ways. It can be tempting, however, as believers to point our fingers at the world in disgust with an “us” vs. “them” mind set.

Ask someone to read Romans 2:1-4.

How do these verses show that we are all basically the same in our sinful flesh and that we are all in need of a savior?

2. A simple way to memorize the Gospel message or Good News is to memorize the following four verses from Romans: Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8, Romans 6:23, and Romans 10:9 (Ask four different people to take turns reading each verse out loud to the group).

How do these verses sum up the essence of the Gospel?

3. Ask someone to read Romans 6:6-14. **In light of these verses, how are we to live?**

4. Ask someone to read Romans 8:1-2. **What does it mean that there is now no condemnation for Christians, even though we may still struggle at times with sin?**

5. Ask someone to read Romans 8:9-13. **How do we live by the Spirit?**

APPLICATION

As you go about your lives this week, it can be a struggle out there. Yes, as Christians, we still wrestle with sin. But we are forgiven because of what Jesus has done for us. Yet we are called to live for him. Ask someone to read Romans 12:1-2. **How are we transformed by the renewing of our mind and how is our mind renewed?**

Consider sharing prayer needs and closing in prayer for each other, as well as asking God to transform and renew our minds for the week ahead.