

Week 1 - Romans Series

Sermon-based Growth Group Questions

Introductory Discussion:

What was “the takeaway” (the most important point) from Sunday’s sermon and/or the sermon text, in your opinion?

What insight from Sunday’s sermon did you find most helpful, or eye-opening, or troubling (pick any or all of the above)?

Read Romans 1:1-7

Discussion:

1. What kinds of letters do you save? Why?
2. If your life were a letter, to whom would you send it? What would “you” say? How would you sign it?
3. What does Paul’s introduction reveal about himself? About the Gospel?
4. What is so striking about Paul’s description of himself as ‘slave’ and ‘apostle’? What do the two terms tell us about Paul’s view of his calling?
5. From Paul’s use of “call” and “called” (vv. 5-7) what does it mean to be a Christian?
6. How did God call you to Christ? How has that call affected your ambitions and goals?
7. To what mission or task do you sense God is calling you to now, five years from now?
8. According to what Paul says here, why is the Old Testament so important? Does it have this significance for you?
9. If the goal of the gospel is the honor of Christ’s name (for His name’s sake v. 5), then how can we do this? What role does evangelism play in bringing glory to Christ’s name?

Prayer: Take time to pray together as a group.

