

Discussion Questions

Summer 2013

Romans 1

1. Why was Paul eager to preach the gospel to those who were in Rome?
2. In what ways does Paul say that God has revealed Himself to mankind?
3. What does Paul say that God has done to those who have refused to acknowledge Him?

Romans 2

4. According to Paul, what is God planning for those who reject Him?
5. How will God judge Jews and Gentiles differently?
6. What is the “true circumcision” that is spoken of by Paul?

Romans 3

7. What are the advantages of being Jewish?
8. What value is there in following the Mosaic Law?
9. What is the sole basis for justification before God?

Romans 4

10. What was the basis of Abraham’s righteousness?
11. What significance does Paul attach to the Hebrew meaning of Abraham’s name?
12. What analogy does Paul draw between Abraham’s faith and our faith in what was accomplished on the cross?

PROJECT “B.3”

Discussion Questions

30 July 2013

Romans 5

1. How is it possible for us to have peace in the midst of suffering?
2. What is the greatest expression of God’s love for us?
3. What is our inheritance as children of Adam vs. our inheritance as children of God?

Romans 6

4. How does the physical act of baptism portray our new life in Jesus?
5. What is the proper spiritual way us to evaluate the true value of our mortal bodies?
6. What is the “slavery to righteousness” that is spoken of by Paul?

Romans 7

7. What are the consequences of having “died to the law through the body of Christ”?
8. What was the ultimate purpose of the Mosaic Law?
9. If we have been “crucified with Christ,” then how is it that Paul says he is “a prisoner of the law of sin”?

Romans 8

10. What are the manifestations of the “Spirit of life” that we have received from God?
11. What hope inspires the “inward groaning” within all of creation and all believers?
12. What can separate us from the love of God given to us through Jesus?

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27 August 2013

Romans 9

1. Who are Abraham’s true offspring?
2. Does God harden the hearts of all unbelievers?
3. What means of salvation are available to the children of Israel that are not available to Gentiles?

Romans 10

4. What righteousness comes from observing the Law?
5. What is the “word of faith” that was preached by Paul?
6. Why does God call us to proclaim the gospel to ends of the earth?

Romans 11

7. Who make up the “remnant according to God’s gracious choice”?
8. Paul speaks of making Israel jealous and even angry through his preaching. What was God’s purpose in this strategy (which had been prophesied by Moses)?
9. What are the implications of Paul’s word picture concerning the “wild” and “cultivated” branches being grafted into the Lord’s olive tree?

Romans 12

10. What does it mean to “present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice”?
11. What is the purposeful use for which God has given each of us a “measure of faith”?
12. How are we to overcome the evil in this world?

PROJECT “B”

Discussion Questions

24 September 2013

Romans 13

1. Why are we to submit ourselves to earthly authorities?
2. What is the one thing that we are to feel that we owe to our fellow man?
3. What provisions are we to make for our fleshly bodies?

Romans 14

4. How are we to judge those who observe dietary restrictions or special holidays unlike our own?
5. Will each person’s personal practices – whether religious or otherwise – be judged?
6. How are we to conduct ourselves with regard to eating and drinking when we are among those who observe religiously-motivated behaviors?

Romans 15

7. How are those of us who are strong in the faith to conduct ourselves among those who are weak?
8. Does Paul make a distinction between the earthly audience to whom Jesus preached vs. those to whom Paul himself preached?
9. What was Paul’s planned itinerary when he wrote this letter?
10. How does Paul ask that the Romans might pray for him?

Romans 16

11. Would you say that Paul was a “people person”?
12. What is the “great mystery” that God had revealed through Jesus, according to the scriptures, and which Paul preached?