# **QUESTIONS**

### Day 1 - Review

1. What did you learn from the last lecture, discussion group, notes or personal study?

### Day 2 - Read Romans 3:1-8 [Open NIV] [Open NKJV]

- 2. From verses 1 & 2, what value does Paul place on being a Jew? In other words, prior to Paul writing Romans, what advantage did the Jews have?
- 3. Today, do you have the same "advantage" that was given to Old Testament Jews? Use Galatians 3:28-29 to help with your answer.
- 4. **? Personal Question:** How are you taking "advantage" of the availability of God's written word, the Bible?
- 5. **? Thought Question:** Using verses 3-8, what is wrong with the logic "if my badness brings out God's goodness, then why am I still condemned as a sinner?"

# Day 3 - Read Romans 3:9-20 [Open NIV] [Open NKJV]

- 6. According to verse 9, how are Jews and Gentiles alike? What do you think it means "to be under the power of sin?"
- 7. The collection of Old Testament verses recorded in Romans 3:10-18 about the human condition are difficult to read. What is the bottom line being made by these verses?
- 8. According to verses 19 & 20, what is the law able to do and NOT able to do?
- 9. **? Personal Question:** Read verse 20 again. Is there any part of you that is seeking righteousness by keeping the law? Explain your answer.

#### Day 4 - Read Romans 3:21-26 [Open NIV] [Open NKJV]

- 10. According to verses 21 & 22, share from where a "righteousness" from God comes?
- 11. In verses 23 & 24, Paul states that something is true for Jews and Gentiles alike. Write down what is true of both in verse 23 and what is true of both in verse 24.

Verse 23 -

Verse 24 -

- 12. **? Thought Question:** Explain what verse 25 means when it says, "God presented Christ as a sacrifice of atonement, through the shedding of his blood..."
- 13. **? Personal Question:** Why do you need a "sacrifice of atonement" from God? In other words, why can't you just atone for your own sins yourself?

# Day 5 - Read Romans 3:27-31 [Open NIV] [Open NKJV]

- 14. How is one justified before God, according to verse 28?
- 15. **? Thought Question:** What does it mean to be "justified" before God? Why is this important?
- 16. **? Personal Question:** Would you say that you are "justified" before God? If so, what makes you "justified?"
- 17. According to verse 29, how are Jews and Gentiles alike?

# Day 6 - Re-read Romans 3 [Open NIV] [Open NKJV]

- 18. Write down a few things that you learned about God from this chapter.
- 19. Write down a few things that you learned about mankind (yourself) from this chapter.
- 20. **? Personal Question:** What challenges you most after reading Romans 3?
- 21. **? Personal Question:** What encourages you most after reading Romans 3?