

Romans 3
Sunday June 2nd

Romans 3:1-8 (pg. 936-937)

God is _____ even when we aren't.

Romans 3:3-4a (NLT) True, some of them were unfaithful; but just because they were unfaithful, does that mean God will be unfaithful? Of course not! Even if everyone else is a liar, God is true.

Romans 3:9-20 (pg. 937)

Sin is a trap that we can never get out of _____.

Romans 3:19-20 (NLT) Obviously, the law applies to those to whom it was given, for its purpose is to keep people from having excuses, and to show that the entire world is guilty before God. For no one can ever be made right with God by doing what the law commands. The law simply shows us how sinful we are.

Romans 3:21-31 (pg. 937)

God solves this grand cosmic problem with _____; the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus.

Romans 3:23-24 (NLT) For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. Yet God, in his grace, freely makes us right in his sight. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins.

As a result of Jesus' mission:

**The rules of creation have not _____.
(25-26)**

**We can only be saved by faith, not by _____.
(27-28)**

**The Law has been fulfilled, but not _____.
(29-31)**

What are you putting _____ in?

Romans 3:22 (NLT, pg. 937) We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are.

Final Thought: We are all born with a sinful nature and therefore separated from a holy God. God solved the problem for us by sending Jesus to this earth, but we must accept this gift of freedom. Are you ready to _____ of faith?

Romans 3 Discussion Questions

Review the thesis statement of the entire letter in Romans 1:16-17. Romans 1:18-3:31 then digs deeper into what is presented in these two verses. How well do you feel Paul did at explaining and supporting his thesis statement? After studying these three chapters, how would you explain the gospel to someone who had never heard it or didn't understand it? (make sure you include sin, works, grace, and faith)

Review the results of Jesus' mission; The rules of creation have not changed, We can only be saved by faith, not by works, and The Law has been fulfilled, but not abolished. How does each of these apply to

and/or effect your daily faith journey? Which one of these is the hardest for you to live out? Which one is the easiest for you to live out? Explain.

“People do what they can get away with.” Do you agree with this statement? Why or why not? How does this perspective connect with Romans 3:19-22? Explain. Read Matthew 5:17-20. How do these words of Jesus compare to Romans 3:19-22?

Read Romans 3:30-31. How does faith and the Law interact with each other? How do you define faith in your own words? Read Hebrews 11. (yes, the whole chapter) How does your definition of faith compare to Hebrews 11:1? This passage is known as “that hall of faith”. Do you agree with this designation? Why or why not? What stands out to you about the faith of those mentioned? How does their stories encourage you in your faith journey?