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...what a thrilling statement! Not by ***good intentions***, gifts, prayers, or even ***works*** but freely by His **grace alone**.
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- 4) **How do I know if I have the Holy Spirit?**
-Has the Spirit led to me to ***Jesus***?
-Do I want to be more ***Godly***?
-Has my life ***changed***?
- 5) ***Feed*** the Spirit, ***starve*** the flesh.
- 6) God's job is to *understand* all things and maintain *control* of all things. My job is to ***trust Him***.
- 7) Let God transform your mind! Let the Spirit help you ***think***—and ***act***—more and more like **Jesus**!
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✓ ***lines*** up with Scripture,
✓ brings ***glory*** to Him,
✓ and gives us the ***peace*** of God."
- 9) Personal convictions must remain ***personal***.
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Rom. 12:4-6; 13:1, 14; 14:1-3 Matt. 25:40; 1 Cor. 10:31
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Romans 15:3, 5-6, 33
- 11) "We need to be _____, not the _____."
Acts 18:2-3; Mark 15:21; 2 Thess. 3:17-18

Romans 5:8 - "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us."

Romans 8:1 - "There is therefore now no condemnation to those who are in Christ Jesus, who do not walk according to the flesh, but according to the Spirit."

Romans 8:18 - "For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us."

7) Using the above passages, what would you say to a friend who...

...thinks they will go to Heaven because their "good" outweighs their "bad"?

...thinks a God of love would never send people to hell?

...doubts God's love because of their current suffering?

TAKING IT HOME

8) What is your biggest take-away from Romans?

PRAYER REQUESTS

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Life Group Homework For the week of May 1, 2022

GETTING TO KNOW YOU

- 1) As we finish this 7 month study of the book of Romans, what are some things you have learned or been reminded of? Did you have any "light-bulb" moments?

- 2) Have there been any specific verses or passages in Romans that have stood out to you or been extra meaningful?

REVIEW

- 3) Looking back at your notes, what stood out to you from this week's message? (Favorite point? Questions? etc..)

DIGGING DEEPER

- 4) It's amazing to consider that the "book" of Romans was really just a letter Paul wrote to believers in Rome nearly 2,000 years ago. We have spent seven months studying this letter and seeing how it applies to us today! What do the following passages teach us about God's Word?

Hebrews 4:12 - "For the word of God is living and powerful, and sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing even to the division of soul and spirit, and of joints and marrow, and is a discernor of the thoughts and intents of the heart."

2 Timothy 3:16-17 - "[16] All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness, [17] that the man of God may be complete, thoroughly equipped for every good work."

Why do you think God uses people like Paul, Peter, Luke, or John to write Scripture?

Why do you think God wants to accomplish His work through us today?

5) In the middle of his salutation, Paul gave a warning. Re-read the warning below. Note any highlights or questions.

Romans 16:17-20 - "[17] Now I urge you, brethren, note those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned, and avoid them. [18] For those who are such do not serve our Lord Jesus Christ, but their own belly, and by smooth words and flattering speech deceive the hearts of the simple. [19] For your obedience has become known to all. Therefore I am glad on your behalf; but I want you to be wise in what is good, and simple concerning evil. [20] And the God of peace will crush Satan under your feet shortly. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. Amen."

Why do you think Paul is warning the Roman believers?

What are some examples today of "those who cause divisions and offenses, contrary to the doctrine which you learned?"

What do you think Paul meant by verse 20 above?

6) Read some key verses from Romans below. What does each verse mean to you?

Romans 1:20 NLT - "For ever since the world was created, people have seen the earth and sky. Through everything God made, they can clearly see his invisible qualities--his eternal power and divine nature. So they have no excuse for not knowing God."

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. [20] 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 3:25-26 NLT - "[25] For God presented Jesus as the sacrifice for sin. People are made right with God when they believe that Jesus sacrificed his life, shedding his blood. This sacrifice shows that God was being fair when he held back and did not punish those who sinned in times past, [26] for he was looking ahead and including them in what he would do in this present time. God did this to demonstrate his righteousness, for he himself is fair and just, and he declares sinners to be right in his sight when they believe in Jesus."