



## Man's Hopeless Condition

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### TODAY'S READING: Romans 5

It makes me laugh and cringe when I hear people say we, as human beings, are innately good. Romans 5:6-10 shows us a picture of humanity apart from Him. So let's make it perfectly clear, apart from God man's human condition is hopeless.

**Vs. 6 - Man is weak**, without strength, powerless. We are helpless with no way of escape. The idea is that the lost sinner stands before God with absolutely no ability to change what he is. We cannot escape sin or death, or resist the devil. The substance of this statement is that man is unable to change his sinful nature by his own effort.

**Vs. 6 - Man is ungodly**, without reverence for or fear of God. It literally means living your life as if God does not exist. Because we are helpless to change our sinful nature, we live our lives as we like without regard for God, or for His law and will. When a person refuses to bow before the Lord in salvation, he is essentially setting himself up as his own god. He does as he pleases, he worships himself without any regard for the true God.

**Vs. 8 - Man is a sinner.** This word means we miss the mark. It carries the idea of an archer aiming at a bulls eye to the best of his ability, shooting his arrow and then missing the whole target. It pictures man as he tries and fails his way through life. No matter how good man tries to be, he can never be good enough. No matter how high we may aim, and set high standards, still we always fall short of God's standard. Man always misses the mark. This is why attempting to get to heaven by good works will never work. Man can never be good enough to get himself to God! No matter how close he comes, he always falls short. To be almost right is to be forever wrong!

**Vs. 10 - Man is God's enemy.** Basically, the Bible is telling us that when we are lost, we are in the devil's camp. We are opposed to God and we are the enemy of God. No matter how much a man may talk of loving the Lord, if that man is unsaved, he is a liar! I hope you can see that people, apart from Jesus, are in a hopeless situation! The fact is, there is no hope in man! All hope will only be found in the Lord Jesus Christ. As a sinner, man is totally hopeless and helpless before the Lord. He needs something he can never produce from within himself. He needs help! His help must come from the only source that can provide it.

**PRAYER:** Father, thank You for saving and loving us. Thank You for not giving us, who are true Christ followers, what we deserve.

### TOMORROW'S READING: Romans 6

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