

Ezra "set his heart to study the law" (Ezra 7:10). Our prayer is that you would love God & others more as a result of being devoted to the word and applying it to your life and the church.

Sunday, Nov 1st | "The Righteousness of God" Romans 3:27-31

- [2] Rom 3:27-31 I Why does God's way of righteousness make it impossible for anyone to boast about himself?
- [3] Rom 3:9-20, 23, 25, 31 I How does righteousness by faith in Christ uphold God's Law?
- [4] Rom 3:27-31 I How does God's way of righteousness put both Jews & Gentiles on the same level before God?
- [5] Rom 3:27-31 I Are you ever tempted to feel superior to unbelievers or to Christians who live less righteously than you? If so, how does v27-30 affect your attitudes?
- [6] Psa 40:8; Jer 31:33-34; Heb 9:14 I How do these verses support Rom 3:31?
- [7] Rom 3:27-31 | Summarize Paul's main point in these verses?

Sunday, Nov 8th | "The Righteousness of God" Romans 4:1-15

- [9] Rom 4:1-15 I How does a wicked person become guiltless before God? What implications does this have for our lives?
- [10] Rom 4:1-15 I Why was Abraham's faith not a work that earned the wage of righteousness? What was Abraham believing about God?
- [11] Rom 4:7-8; Psa 32:1-2; Psa 51 I Paul quotes a psalm of David. What had King David done before he wrote this psalm? How does David describe what God does when He credits righteousness to a person?
- [12] Rom 4:9-12; Jn 13:35; Acts 2:41; 8:12; 10:47; Eph 1:13-14; 4:30; 1 Pet 3:21 I Why was it important that God declared Abraham righteous before he was circumcised? What are the signs & seals of a Christian's righteousness by faith?
- [13] Rom 4:11-12 I Abraham is the physical forefather of all who are physically Jews (4:1). Of whom is he the spiritual forefather?
- [14] Rom 4:1-15 I What is God's promise to Abraham not based on? If God's promise is only for those who obey the law, what does that make the promise? How does the law bring wrath?

Sunday, Nov 15th | "The Righteousness of God" Romans 4:16-25

[16] Rom 4:16-25 I What facts might have convinced Abraham that God's promise of a son was impossible? How was Abraham able to resist the temptation to doubt God's promise? What lesson does this offer us?

- [17] Rom 4:16-25; 8:13; Lk 9:23-24; 1 Cor 15:20-22; 2 Cor 4:11-12, 16-18; Eph 2:4-5 I In what ways does God give "life to the dead"?
- [18] Rom 4:16-25; 8:18-25; 1 Cor 1:18-31; 2 Cor 5:1, 6-10; Heb 10:35-11:2; 1 Jn 3:2-3 I How does God call "into being things that were not"?
- [19] Rom 4:16-25 I How can you give "glory to God" in your current circumstances as Abraham did?
- [20] Rom 4:16-25 I What are some of God's promises that you have chosen to stand on even when they haven't "felt" true in your life & circumstances?
- [21] Rom 4:16-25 I Is there an area in your life where you need a reminder of hope in order to truly believe that God will bring good out of whatever you are going through? If so, what are you trusting Him to do?

Sunday, Nov 22nd | "The Righteousness of God" Romans 5:1-11

- [23] Rom 5:1-11 I From these verses, what are some of the blessings (benefits) of being justified & reconciled to God?
- [24] Rom 5:1-11 I One benefit of our peace is "the hope of the glory of God." What is the connection between suffering & hope?
- [25] Rom 5:1-11 I Why does hope not put us to shame? How could the hope of the glory of God affect your attitude toward your current circumstances?
- [26] Rom 5:1-11 I Paul says we should respond to peace with God & hope of glory with joy & exultation. What hinders you from letting hope fill you with joy in the midst of your circumstances? What keeps you from taking full advantage of your access to God?
- [27] Rom 5:1-11 I How do these verses show the Trinity working in harmony? What does each Person do?
- [28] Seek to memorize Rom 5:8.

Sunday, Nov 29th | "The Righteousness of God" Romans 5:12-21

- [30] Rom 5:12-21 I What two things did Adam introduce into the world & pass on to his descendants?
- [Dec 1] Rom 5:15-19 I In these verses Paul contrasts Adam & Jesus. List the effects of Adam's trespass & God's gift, Jesus.
- [2] Rom 5:15-17 I Paul repeats "how much more" & "one...many" to show the difference between Adam & Jesus. Why is Jesus' effect "much more" than Adam's?
- [3] Rom 5:15-21 I Paul repeats the words "gift" & "grace" in these verses. How are these words important to the difference between Adam & Jesus?
- [4] Rom 5:18-19 I How did Jesus make us righteous before God?
- [5] Rom 5:20-21; 1 Cor 15:53-57 I In what way does grace increase when sin increases? How does this good news of God's grace give you hope personally?
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