

Week 27 - Romans Series
Sermon-based Growth Group Questions

Introductory Discussion:

What was “the takeaway” (the most important point) from Sunday’s sermon and/or the sermon text, in your opinion?

What insight from Sunday’s sermon did you find most helpful, or eye-opening, or troubling (pick any or all of the above)?

Read Romans 9:1-13

Discussion:

1. What about your family background helped you toward your faith in Christ? What hindered you?
2. Given Paul’s assurance in 8:39, why would he turn from that to discuss the problem of wide-spread Jewish unbelief? From verse 6, what question does unbelief raise for some persons?
3. In verses 1-3, what phrases show Paul’s deep concern for his people?
4. How should each of the benefits he mentions in verses 4-5 have drawn the Jewish people to Christ? How does he account for their unbelief in spite of these advantages?
5. In light of verse 11, how does Paul maintain God’s justice? What does 3:9-20 imply would be just and fair for each of us to receive from God? According to 5:9-10, on what basis does God relate to us?
6. If you could ask Paul for clarification on this passage, what would you ask him? Why? How do you think he would answer?
7. Where are you growing in your understanding of God’s will for your life? What questions would you like to ask God about this?
8. How deeply do you hurt for unbelievers? Why?

Prayer: Take time to pray together as a group.