

Small Group Discussion Questions

Series: Romans

Message: God Isn't Done Yet

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Memory Verse: Romans 6:23 NIV

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The goal of these questions is to foster meaningful discussion and to encourage participants to reflect on God's Word and lead to heart transformation. Feel free to modify or expand upon these questions based on the dynamics and needs of your Small Group.

Big Idea: God's mercy extends to all people—Jew & Gentile—because of His boundless grace.

Read Romans 11:19-36

1. Speaking to the Gentile believers, Paul tells them not to be arrogant but to be afraid (v 20). Fear of the Lord is a posture of awe, humility, and dependence that leads to obedience and gratitude. Why do you think Paul connects arrogance with a lack of proper fear? Why is fear of the Lord important for our spiritual growth? What practices help cultivate humility and gratitude before God on a regular basis?
2. Paul asks us to consider the "kindness and severity of God." He presents a God who is both infinitely tender and rigorously just, rather than one or the other (v 22). We often struggle to hold two opposing truths at once. We want a God who is all kindness when we mess up, but all severity when someone else wrongs us. Why is it important that we don't reduce God to only one of these? How would you explain these simultaneous characteristics of God to a non-believer who may only believe in God's severity?
3. No one is beyond the reach of God's power to restore, provided they do not persist in unbelief (v 23). Who do you know who once knew the truth but has



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since walked away? How familiar are you with what caused them to no longer actively pursue a relationship with God and His body? How can we enter into and hold fragile conversations about faith well?

4. God keeps His promises and is faithful to His Word across generations because of God's covenant promises to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob that He will not revoke (vv 28-29).
5. Despite the current tension, Paul affirms that God's gifts and His calling are "irrevocable." God doesn't change His mind about the people He has chosen, even when they are currently in a state of disobedience (vv 28-29). What does God's long-term faithfulness to His promises reveal about His character? In what ways have you personally experienced God remaining faithful even when you were not? What did that season teach you about God?
6. God's wisdom and might are unlike anything we as humans can comprehend or create (vv 33-36. See also Job 38-39). On a scale we can understand, it would be like a housefly trying to understand quantum physics or how the internet works. In what ways do we sometimes try and reduce God to something less than God? How does God's incomprehensibility actually protect His glory and deepen our worship? What might we lose if God were no bigger than our own thinking?
7. While we will never know everything (vv 33-34), what do you think are some of the most important things He has revealed to us? How have you found focusing on what we do know about God shapes the way you live and make decisions? When you encounter questions you are not able to answer, what do you do? How can humility about what we don't know help us engage more graciously with others?
8. Everything comes from God, exists through His power, and is intended for His glory (v 36). What are some seen and unseen ways we can bring glory to God? What is the difference between doing something good and doing something for God's glory? How can our motives shift the same action in different directions?



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