

**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS: "Escaping the Cycle" (Romans 5)**  
**SERIES: | A Study of Romans: God's Great Gift**

1. Have you ever experienced a time when someone helped you to see that something you think is normal is actually not normal to most people?
2. **Read Romans 5:1-11.** Find the phrases that talk about how salvation is past, present and future.
3. What's the difference between the "peace of God" and "peace with God"?
4. How is mankind affected by Adam's sin? Why does death follow sin? Why does hopelessness follow death?
5. What role do each of us contribute to sin and death?
6. **Read Romans 5:12-21.** How are Jesus and Adam alike? How are they different?
7. Ryan mentioned that there are two "cycles," one that Adam started and one that Jesus started. Describe these two cycles.
8. Why can't we escape the cycle of sin, death, and hopelessness on our own?
9. How does Jesus provide an escape from the cycle of sin, death, and hopelessness and give us access to the cycle of his obedience, life, & hope?
10. If you are a follower of Jesus, what are ways you still currently live in the cycle of sin, death, and hopelessness?
11. How can you apply this message to your life this week?
12. How can this inform how you pray for and engage your Top 5?