Romans 3:27-31 For the week of November 13, 2022

Note:

From 11/20/22 - 1/1/23 there will be no curriculum available, nor will there be childcare. During this break, please feel free to come together as a group to pray, have dinner, socialize, and encourage one another. Group curriculum and childcare will resume the week of January 8.

Reflection

- 1. What were some of the takeaways, for you, from Sunday's sermon?
- 2. Were there questions, comments, concerns...?

Paul has insisted that salvation comes only through Christ's death and that that death can be viewed from a variety of angles. He has said that we appropriate salvation only through faith, and he comes back to that thought now. He shows that there is no room for human boasting or the like and that a right understanding of faith is necessary if we are to uphold the law.¹

Observation (vs. 27)

3. Summarize this verse.

Interpretation

4. What is the purpose of Paul's three rhetorical questions?

¹ Leon Morris, <u>The Epistle to the Romans</u>, The Pillar New Testament Commentary (Grand Rapids, MI; Leicester, England: W.B. Eerdmans; Inter-Varsity Press, 1988), 185.

Application

5. As Paul is addressing pride to the Jews, how is God addressing the pride in you within your spiritual walk?

Observation (vs. 28)

6. State this verse in your own words.

Interpretation

- 7. What is it that "we hold" or "we maintain"?
- 8. How do you define justification?

Application

9. How has (and how does) justification by faith impacted you in your walk with Christ?

Observation (vs. 29-30) 10. Summarize these verses.

Interpretation

11. As Paul is attempting to pull back the blinders on his readers, what is the "big picture" he is attempting to reveal?

12. Read Acts 10. How does this relate to what Paul is writing?

Application

13. Do you believe that God is God of all?

14. Is there anyone in your life that you feel should not be treated with God's grace and understanding of who He is? Why or why not?

Observation (vs.31) 15. What is Paul asking and saying?

Interpretation

16. Is Paul contradicting himself with this verse? Why or why not?

17. Read the words of Christ in Matthew 5:17-20. How does this relate to this verse?

Application

18. How and why do you observe obedience to the law?