

Scriptures for further study

Romans 10:9-13 | Ephesians 1:13-14 | 1 Corinthians 15:1-4

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Ephesians 2:1-10

"But God!" The gospel is not "so you must"; the gospel is "but God!"

- 1. What is your best story of a time when you felt like you were in a dangerous situation? What happened? How did you get out of that situation? How did you feel once you realized you were safe?
- 2. How do verses 1-3 help us understand what sin is? How do they show us that sin is not just a bad choice but a condition in which we live?
- 3. Why is it important that we understand humanity, apart from Christ, to be dead and not just bad? How does that understanding change the way we view the good news of the gospel?
- 4. Why, even as Christians, is it helpful for us to remember our sinful condition before Christ? How does doing so change the way we view others apart from Christ?
- 5. In verses 4-7, what attributes of God do you see in this passage? What is your "but God" moment? How is your life different now than it was before Christ?
- 6. Focus on verses 8-10. How can we guard against being prideful in doing the good works that God has saved us for? Why do you think God wants us to know that we are His workmanship?
- 7. What is one way you can remind yourself of who you were before Christ without feeling a sense of judgment or condemnation? What is one good work God has planned for you this week?

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