



R8MANS



ASSURANCE
THROUGH LIFE

ROMANS 8 BIBLE STUDIES

WEEK 1

Romans 8:1-2

Read Romans 8:1-2

Discussion Questions

1. What does 'Therefore' relate to? (read Romans 7:13-25)
2. Why do you think it is important that "there is now no condemnation"?
3. What can make it hard for you to continue to believe that "there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus"?

4. How does being in Christ and valuing him above all else, help us live according to the Spirit?

5. In verses 7-8, what does Paul say about a person's ability to please God or to keep God's law?

6. What does this tell us about Jesus' sacrifice?

7. What stands in the way of us giving ourselves fully to Jesus?

8. When do you notice that your mind is governed by the flesh?
What do you need to do to change this?

9. How can we encourage others to remain faithful to Jesus?

Spend some time praying with each other

WEEK 4

Romans 8:9-13

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Discussion Questions

1. How can we know that we are in the realm of the Spirit? (That the Spirit of God lives in us).
2. In what ways does the Spirit give us life?
3. Living according to the flesh means we will die. But if we have faith in Jesus as our Saviour and live according to the Spirit, we will live. Are there any other choices, why or why not?

4. What is your obligation?

5. Why is it so difficult to live by the Spirit and not live by the flesh?

6. What can you do to live by the Spirit and not live by the flesh?

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WEEK 5

Romans 8:14-17

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Discussion Questions

1. What does it mean to be a child of God?
2. What does it mean not to be a slave?
3. What does it mean to be adopted as a son?
4. What does it mean to be an heir of God and a co-heir with Christ?

5. How does the Holy Spirit testify with our spirit?

6. What does 'Abba Father' mean?

7. Do you ever call upon God as Abba Father? Why is it important for us to have such a close relationship with our Maker?

8. What does it mean that we share in his sufferings in order that we share in his glory?

9. Can you think of a time when you did not feel close to God? Why do think this was the case?

10. Can you think of a time when you felt close to God, or you knew you were close to him?

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WEEK 6

Romans 8:18-21

Read Romans 8:18-21

Discussion Questions

1. Suffering can be a stumbling block to Christianity and for many people. Why is suffering only seen as a bad thing?
2. What kind of suffering do think Paul is talking about here?
3. What is glory?
4. How can suffering not be worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us?

WEEK 7

Romans 8:22-27

Read Romans 8:22-27

Discussion Questions

1. What comes to mind when you think of the final home for humans saved by God? Do these verses change your ideas or perception?
2. How do you emotionally balance loving this life as a gift from God, while at the same time living in suffering and pain, and disappointment and grief?
3. What is your greatest hope?

Read Romans 8:28-30

Discussion Questions

1. These verses begin with a contrast from the past few verses (from what we do not know to what we do know): “And we know that in all things God works for the good of those who love him ...”

When you read, “all things” what things are you tempted to leave out? (e.g., What things in your life seem to be outside God’s plan for your good?)

2. What do you think ‘...for the good of those who love Him, means?’

3. How does verse 28 help us with our view of hardship and our response to it?

4. What do you understand by predestination?

5. What does being transformed 'into the image of His son', mean?

6. How would you describe the meaning and connection between foreknew, predestined, called, justified, glorified?

7. How does this order help us with being assured of our salvation?

8. How does this order, particularly the first two, motivate us to share Jesus with others?

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WEEK 9

Romans 8:31-39

Read Romans 8:31-39 (And then read it again slowly.)

Discussion Questions

1. What does v31 means for you personally?
2. How do these verses help us with our assurance and our affection for Jesus?
3. What do you think Paul means when he says in verse 32, "...graciously give us all things"?

