

DISCUSSION

The Gospel defined: “The fulfilled promise of God in Jesus Christ to provide salvation by making us (sinners) His sons and daughters.”

- What role do we play in The Gospel? Read John 1:12 and Revelation 3:20. Have you done that? If so, when? What did that look like for you? If not, what are you waiting for?

Read Romans 3:21–26.

Make a list of all of the characteristics of God that are mentioned in these verses. Underline/highlight them in your Bible. (Your Bible should be your most “well worn” book in your household)

- Look at your list, what do these characteristics mean to you, personally. Praise God, in prayer, by THANKING Him/CELEBRATING Him for these characteristics. (Worship based prayer)
- How well do you score on that list? Where are your areas (plural) of weakness? Share your weaknesses with somebody, ask them to pray over you for strength and growth in those areas. Have them keep you accountable.

Jesus is...

Our Redeemer: Read Ephesians 1:7

What does it mean to “have redemption through His blood” (ESV)? What have you been redeemed from?

- When have you praised and thanked God for your redemption? What would that look like if you did that on a daily basis? If you did it daily, would it change your perspective on God and the redemptive process in your life?
- Is redemption a one-time event or continual process?

Our Propitiation (huh??): Read 1 John 4:10

Definition = “the act of atoning for sin or wrongdoing”

John Stott quote = “God Himself gave Himself to save us from Himself”.

- What does that quote and propitiation have to do with salvation? How are they connected?

Our Righteousness: Read 2 Corinthians 5:21

What does Romans 3:10–2 say about you? (Ouch!!) How does 2 Corinthians 5:21 counter that?

- THANK GOD today “that in Him we might become the righteousness of God.”

Our Victor: Read Romans 4:23–25

1. Summarize the meaning, in your own life, of what Romans 4:23–25 means to you.
2. How does that compare to 1 Corinthians 15:57. Hint. Hint...MEMORIZE this verse.
3. Apply: listen, as a prayer, to this song...<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ldRcFz7rK7w>
4. Extra Credit: What is the difference between “churchianity” vs. “Christianity”. Do you/have you ever practiced “churchianity”. What does that look like in your life? Pray against it!