



Sermon Discussion Questions

May the Word of God SHAPE and MOLD us into the image of Jesus!

CHECK INS: Let's check in quick with each other; how are we doing folks...?!?

11.30.25 - SERMON RECAP:

This week we began our Advent Series: Our Identity as Disciples of Jesus. We looked at Romans 3:20-26 preaching on understanding our justification because of Jesus' work in His coming. As believers we must know the beauty of God's Love for us- and His continued acceptance of us because of the atoning work of Jesus on our behalf! Not only KNOW our justification- but to daily remember and appropriate these truths in our every day experience/identity. Lets turn to Romans 3:20-26, look into this Theme of Justification and discuss together. (As a group, lets take turns reading this scripture together; and then ponder/discuss these questions for our lives.)

DIGGING DEEPER:

1. Paul says that no one is justified by the works of the law (Romans 3:20). Also Read Galatians 2:16; Ephesians 2:8-9... How does this confront any tendency in you to base your identity, worth, or security on your spiritual performance? What do we mean by spiritual performance?
2. In vs 21 Paul goes on and says that "righteousness apart from the law" has been revealed. What does it look like to live daily out of a righteousness that is received, not achieved??
3. Paul writes that all have sinned but are justified (accepted) freely by God's Grace... What keeps us from thinking that our heavenly Father does not accept us? How can we overcome that lie?
4. Jump ahead in Romans to 5:1-2 and read... How have you personally experienced God's Grace at work in your life? How have you seen it working this year??
5. Paul describes Jesus as the One who provides "redemption" (Romans 3:24). Also read 1 Corinthians 6:19-20... How does understanding redemption—the buying back of slaves—shape the way you see your life before and after Christ??
6. Paul emphasizes that justification shows God to be both "just" and "the justifier" (Romans 3:26). Why is it important to hold these two truths together—God's justice and God's mercy? How do they shape your understanding of the gospel?
7. Read these Additional passages: Romans 8:1-4; Galatians 4:4-7. If God has declared us righteous, how should this shape our daily identity and confidence? Where do you find yourself forgetting or disconnecting from your justified identity throughout the week?
8. What is one application you sense God is beckoning you to continue meditation on this week, and how can we pray for each other this week in this theme of Justification??

How Does ALL THIS Apply to our Values?



Gospel Transformation

Compassionate Engagement



Authentic Relationship

Kingdom Multiplication

