

DISCUSSION GUIDE

Unashamed: Romans Part 2

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For I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God that brings salvation to everyone who believes: first to the Jew, then to the Gentile.

Romans 1:16 | NIV

- What are the advantages of having a diverse church?
- Do you easily talk to people that are different than you?
- Read Romans 1:18-32
 - What is the main idea that Paul is getting across (calling out sin)? What verses emphasize that?
- How do you define Self-righteousness?
 - Seth defines it as, “Believing your own goodness will get you into heaven while simultaneously looking down on everyone else.”
 - Have you or do you struggle with self-righteousness?
 - Have you ever tried to earn your way to heaven (Ephesians 2:8-9)?
- There are four characteristics of a self-righteous person in Romans 2. Discuss each of these along with the questions below each one.
 - **WE ACCUSE OTHERS AND EXCUSE OURSELVES** (Romans 2:1).
 - Is it hard to identify yourself as self-righteous?
 - **We BELIEVE GOD GRADES ON A CURVE** (Romans 1:1b-2).
 - What are some statements that you have heard that show people think God grades on a curve?
 - **WE THINK JUDGING OTHERS PUTS US IN A BETTER POSITION** (Romans 2:3).
 - Why do we do things (like judging others) to make ourselves feel better?
 - **WE MISINTERPRET GOD'S BLESSING ON OUR LIFE** (Romans 2:3-4).
 - How do we misinterpret God's blessings?
 - How can you better understand God in your life?
- Pray together.