ROMANS 15-Review of all Lessons

What is the theme of Romans?
The righteousness of God.

-What do the beginning chapters of Romans teach us? -That no one is righteous except for God.

-What do the remaining chapters of Romans teach us? -That the righteousness of God is all we need to live our lives.

-What did Paul mean that he was a servant of Jesus Christ?

-Paul meant that he had chosen to be a slave of Jesus Christ.

-Why did Paul choose to become a slave of Jesus Christ?

-Because Paul was thankful to Christ for saving him from sin, death, and Satan.

-We can only be completely happy here on earth when we are willing slaves of the Lord Jesus Christ.

-To serve God is the greatest service in eternity.

-Why was Paul not ashamed of the Gospel? -Because the Gospel alone can save people from death. 2. When did God reveal His anger against sin?

-When He cursed the earth and removed Adam and Eve from the garden.

-When He destroyed the whole world by a flood.

-When He destroyed Sodom and Gomorrah.

-When He punished the rebellious king of Egypt and the Egyptians.

-When He gave His commandments to the Israelites at Mount Sinai.

-What is the greatest sign that God has revealed His anger against sin?

-When God crucified the Lord Jesus for our sins on the cross.

-Upon whom was God's anger for our sin poured out? -His Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

-Why are people without excuse regarding the truths of God?

-Because God has clearly shown all people.

-How has God clearly shown all people? -With the world that God has created.

3. According to God, is sin only with our body? -No.

-According to God, we can sin on the inside with our hearts even though on the outside our body does nothing.

-According to God, are there big sins and little sins? -No.

-According to God, all sins are big.

-If you give a law to people, does this protect them from disobeying the law? -No.

-What is the purpose of a law?-The purpose of a law is to show people how they must properly live.

-For the Christian, where does our obedience come from? -Jesus Christ.

-How is all sin against God?-Because God created us without sin.

-Does God forget sins?-No.-God sees every sin, and must punish every sin with death.

-What is the difference between all of the other religions in the world and true Christianity?

-All of the other religions tell you how to make yourself righteous before God.

-Only true Christianity tells you that you can never make yourself righteous before God.

-This is the truth which Romans 3:20 is telling us.

-Romans 3:20: "Therefore no one will be declared righteous in God's sight by the works of the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of our sin."

-What does Romans 3:21 teach us?

-Romans 3:21: "But now apart from the law the righteousness of God has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify."

-That our righteousness comes from God alone.

-Except for true Christianity, all religions try to make themselves righteous before God.

-Except for true Christianity, all religions try to provide their own righteousness.

4. What does Romans 3:23 teach us?

-Romans 3:23: "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God."

-That because of sin, all people are seen by God as needing to be saved.

-That because of sin, all people are deprived of the glory of God which God intended for us.

-We need to see sin as God sees sin.

-If we see sin as the world sees sin, we will never understand.

-If we see sin as God sees sin, then we will understand how much sin hurts us.

-If we see sin as God sees sin, then we will understand how much sin has robbed us of the glory of God which God intended.

-Romans 3:24: "And are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus."

-What does it mean to be justified?

-To be justified is a two-step process, and both of these steps are from God alone.

-What are the two steps of justification?

-The first step is that God sends our sins to the cross where the blood of Christ has completely paid for them. -The second step is that God gives us the righteousness of Christ as our own.

-If God has given us the righteousness of Christ, will He take it away? -No.

-If God has saved us from Satan, will He give us back to Satan? -No.

-If God has saved us, there is no one who can change this.

-If God has saved us, there is nothing which can change this.

-If God has saved us, why can no one or nothing change this?

-Because the blood and death of the Lord Jesus Christ is the most powerful force in all of eternity.

5. What happens when God justifies Christians?

-Because our sin has been paid for, our sin is gone. -Because our sin is gone, God's anger against our sin is gone.

-Because God's anger against our sin is gone, we have peace with God.

-If God's grace alone saves us, then what is the purpose of our faith?

-To admit that God's grace alone has saved us.

-Which is more powerful–God's grace or man's sin? -God's grace.

6. What does this mean, "But where sin increased, grace increased all the more"?

-This means that the grace of God is greater than the sin of man.

-Why has God given to us His gift of righteousness?

-So that God can save us from death. -So that we can live in God's righteousness.

-What does it mean that we "died to sin"?-It means that sin no longer has any power over us as Christians.

-If sin no longer has any power over us, then why do Christians still sin?

-Because we do not allow our Christ to have complete control of our lives.

-In John 5:19, Jesus said this: "The Son can do nothing

by Himself."

-How can Jesus who is God do nothing by Himself?

-Jesus is teaching us that God the Father has complete control of His life.

-Just as Jesus allowed God the Father to have complete control of His life, we should allow Jesus to have complete control of our lives.

-The degree that we allow Christ to have control of our lives is the same degree that Christ takes control of our lives.

-The degree that we allow Christ to have control of our lives is the same degree that we will not sin.

-If we allow Christ to have a small part of our lives, then Christ works within us only a little.

-If we allow Christ to have a large part of our lives, then Christ works within us a lot.

-We must ask God to take total control of our lives.

-How does Christ's death on the cross become the death for all Christians?

-Because Christ's death on the cross was not for

Himself, but for us.

-What does being buried with Christ prove? -That we are dead to sin.

-Why is it difficult to understand that Christ has made us dead to sin?

-Because we still sin, we think that we are still living under the kingdom of Adam, sin, and Satan.

-Can Christians live both under Satan's kingdom and Christ's kingdom? -No.

-If Christ has brought us into His kingdom, then we cannot be in Satan's kingdom.

-Because we still sin, we think that we are still under Satan's power.

-Can Christians be both under Satan's power and under Christ's power? -No.

-If Christ has made us His children, then we are no longer the children of Satan.

-Because we still sin, we think that our spirit is still the old spirit, and not a new spirit.

-Do Christians have both an old spirit and a new spirit? -No.

-If God has given us a new spirit, then He has crucified the old spirit with Christ.

-Because we still sin, we think that our current sins are proof that we are not dead to sin.

-Can Christians be both alive to sin and dead to sin? -No.

-If God says that we are dead to sin, then we cannot be alive to sin.

-Yet, if God says that Christians are dead to sin, then we must ask God to help us to believe this.

-Is God lying when He says that we are dead to sin?-No.-God cannot lie.

Then what is the problem?The problem is for us to believe this.

-We must call on God to help us to understand this:

-Christ Himself has made us dead to sin, and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

-If we are Christians, and we are free from the power of sin, then why do we choose to sin?

-It is because of our lack of belief in God. -Behind every sin is a lack of belief in God.

-If we completely believed in God, then we would not sin.

-If you look at all of the sins of people in the Bible, it is because of their lack of faith.

-If you look at all of our sins, it is because of our lack of faith.

-What is our greatest work in eternity? -To believe in God.

-Are we able to believe in God by ourselves?-No.-We need God's help.

7. What does it mean that Christians have been freed from the authority of the Law?

-That God has freed us from the burden of keeping rules in order to be accepted by God.

-God has freed us from the burden of keeping rules in order to be saved.

-What does Paul mean when he says that he is "of flesh"?

-Romans 7:14: "We know that the law is spiritual; but I am [of flesh], sold as a slave to sin."

-This means that Paul and Christians are no longer IN the flesh, but that the flesh is still a part of our lives.

-When we believe in Christ, God takes out our old nature, and gives us a new nature.

-When we believe in Christ, God takes out our old heart of sin, and gives us a new heart of Christ.

-Yet, sin and the world and Satan continue to bother us.

-Here is an example:

-You live inside a dirty house, filled with sin, death, and Satan.

-Then, one day, God comes into your house and completely cleans it, throwing sin, death, and Satan out the door.

-The problem is this:

-Sin remains outside our door, and continues to knock on our door.

-Death remains outside our door, and continues to knock on our door.

-Satan also remains outside our door, and continues to knock on our door.

-What did God say to Cain after He refused Cain's sacrifice, and Cain got angry?

-God said, "Sin is crouching at your door; it desires to have you, but you must rule over it."

-Sin, death, and Satan remain outside our door, continuing to bother us.

-Our old ways and old habits remain outside our door, continuing to bother us.

-This is the meaning that Christians are no longer IN the flesh, but still OF the flesh.

8. What is the best news in the world that God and Paul are teaching us in Romans 8:1?

-God will never condemn those who believe in Christ.

-Romans 8:1: "Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus."

-Why do most people not understand sin and how it

condemns us to death?

-Because they do not understand how holy God is -Because they do not understand how evil sin is.

-From Romans 8:1, we can say that there are only two types of people in the world. Who are these people?

-Those who are condemned because of their sin. -Those whom God will never condemn.

-In Romans 8:3, the Word of God says, "He condemned sin in the flesh." What does this mean?

-It means that God has judged sin to be unworthy to be a part of our lives.

-It means that God has judged sin to be unworthy to rule our lives.

-It means that God took away sin as the owner of our lives.

-What does it mean to live according to the flesh?

To live independently of God.To live in dependence on oneself.To live with onself as one's own god.

9. Why is this truth important that God the Holy Spirit

leads us?

Because God never wants to push us from behind.Because God goes ahead of us to clear the way.Because God allows us to follow according to our own understanding.

-How does God the Holy Spirit lead us?

-First, He helps us to understand who He is. -Second, He helps us to allow Him to be our God.

-When does the Holy Spirit help us to understand who He is? -When we read His Word.

-How does God the Holy Spirit help us to allow Him to be our God?

-When we understand more about our God.

-If you want to understand more about God, then you will read more about Him in the Word of God.

-This is because God and His Word are one.

-The more we learn about our God, the more we understand Him, and then, the more we allow Him to be our God.

-Romans 8:28: "And we know that in all things God

works for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose."

-This verse is one of the best promises in God's Word.

-We can be sure that whatever God allows in our lives, He promises to use it for our best.

-Whether God allows good or bad in our lives, He promises to use it for our best.

-Romans 8:38-39: "For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God that is in Christ Jesus our Lord."

-Can death take us away from the love of God in Christ? -No.

-Can demons take us away from the love of God in Christ? -No.

-Can anything in all of creation take us away from the love of God in Christ? -No.

-Is there anything that we can do that will force God to stop loving us?

-No.

10. Why did Israel not find righteousness?

-Because they looked for righteousness according to their works, and not according to faith.

-Why do non-Christians reject the righteousness of God?

Because they do not think it is necessary.Because they cannot earn it.Because they want to have a part in their own salvation.

-What is the barrier to faith? -Self righteousness.

-Why did Israel not know the righteousness of God?

Because they refused to listen to God's prophets.Because they had become proud.Because they did not understand how holy God is.

-Because they thought that they could please God by their own good works.

-Because they depended on their own ability to obey the law.

-With regard to lordship, there are only two types of people in the world. Who are they?

-Those who make themselves lord of their own lives. -Those who make God/Jesus Lord of their lives.

11. Why is it important to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice to God?

-Because our bodies are still the center of sinful desires, emotional depression, and spiritual doubts.

-Why is it wrong to try to get everything from God that we can?

-Because God has already given us everything.

-If Christians want to be happy in life, what do God and Paul tell us that we should do?-Give all that we have to God.-Give all that we are to God.

-What is the beauty of giving all that we are and have to God?

-We will gain more than we could ever imagine.

-What does it mean that we should not be conformed to the world?

-He means that we should not let the people of this world influence us by their evil ways and thinking.

-How do we offer our bodies as a living sacrifice to God, and be transformed by the renewing of our minds?

-By reading the Word of God and allowing it to renew our minds.

-Why is humility the foundation for the use of our spiritual gifts?

-Because people are proud, and the degree to which we humble ourselves before God will be the same degree that God uses our gifts.

-If you want God to use you greatly, you should ask God to help you to humble yourself greatly.

-If you want God to use you a little, then you only have to humble yourself a little.

-In order to believe in Christ, we have to humble ourselves before God.

-In order for God to use our spiritual gifts, we have to humble ourselves before God.

-What is the beauty of humbling ourselves before God? -We gain eternal life, and God will use us greatly on this earth.

-What is the main barrier to humbling ourselves before God?

-Our flesh.

12. Now that we are Christians, how is it possible for us to obey the commands of God?-Only through the power of God the Holy Spirit.

-How do we love people even if we do not feel like it? -We should allow Christ in us to love others.

14. Just like some Christians may believe that we should not eat all foods, some Christians may believe that some days are more sacred than others. Why is this?

-Because the faith of all Christians is not the same.

-Christians who are strong in their faith should not impose on Christians who are weak in their faith.

-Likewise, Christians who are weak in their faith should not impose on Christians who are strong in their faith.

-How do God and Paul resolve this problem?

-The solution is to live and die for God, and not for ourselves or other people.

-If we live for ourselves or other people, we will never be satisfied.

-However, if we live for God, then we can live in peace.