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BIBLE VERSES REFERENCED DURING SERMON:

- · I John 3:I-I0
- · Ephesians I:4
- · I Peter 2:9
- · John 15:16
- · Ephesians 2:1, 4-5
- · Colossians I:21
- · Romans 5:10
- · Romans 5:7-8
- · John I:10
- I Corinthians 2:9
- · 2 Timothy 2:12
- · Romans 8:17
- · I John I:8
- · I John 2:I
- · Philemon 2:12-13
- · Hebrews I3:5
- · John 8:44

BIBLE STUDY:

- Have you ever heard of the "Roman Road?" It is a series of passages in Romans that helps explains who we are and a clear path to Jesus Christ.
- Walk through the following verses, write down in your own words what each passage says:

Romans I:20-21

Who is without excuse?

Romans 3:23

How many have sinned?

Romans 5:8

What did God do?

Romans 6:23

What happens if we remain sinners?

What happens if we trust in and believe in Jesus Christ?

If I am a good person, is that enough?

Romans 10:9-10

What do we have to do in order to abide in Jesus Christ?

`How many good deeds must we do?

How much sacrifice must we make?

Romans 10:13

What rituals must you perform?

Romans II:36

Who should get the glory? What is our purpose on earth for God?



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PERSONAL REFLECTION:

- · What do you measure in life? Wealth? House? Cars? Jobs? Personal Appearance? Sports team's performance?
- · Why is it uncomfortable to talk about the quality of marriage?
- · Have you ever sat and meditated on the truth of God's love? Take some time this week, think on it, try to wrap your mind around the truth and reality of God's love for you.
- · What are the three unbelievable realities of the Gospel?
- · Have you ever been rejected? Job application? Romantic relationship? How did that feel? How does it feel to know that despite all the ugliness inside of your life that God chose YOU?
- · Why is it important to remember that you were made alive in Christ?
- Have you ever considered that you were an enemy of God? How does that feel? What does it say about God's love that even though we were His enemies, He sent His Son to die for us in order that we could be reconciled with Him?
- Think on someone that you would consider an enemy. Would you willing give up your son or daughter so that your enemy could have an abundant life?
- Think on some of the most evil people this world has seen. Hitler, Stalin, etc... God did not just send His Son to die for those who are "good," He sent His Son so that ALL people could be reconciled to Him. Even the Hitlers and Stalins of this world.
- · Have you ever thought about Heaven? What do you think it is going to be like? Do you think about having a body without pain or hurt? Do you think about a life without strife? Are you thinking like Pastor Rick said, "When we think about Heaven, it's always in terms of what it will look like and what we will get."?
- · Why does I John 3:3 "raise the issue of how we live" on earth?
- · Where are you in your battle with sin? Do you accept certain sinful tendencies because you are too tired of fighting with it?
- · How do you relate to sin? Is it a single action you struggle with, repent and work to never repeat or do you allow it to become a life style?
- Pastor Rick made this statement, "Sin is not part of abiding in Christ." What does that mean to you?
- Pastor Rick ended his sermon with this question, "When it comes to sin in my life am I making progress or excuses?" How would you respond? What steps are you taking to battle sin in your life?

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