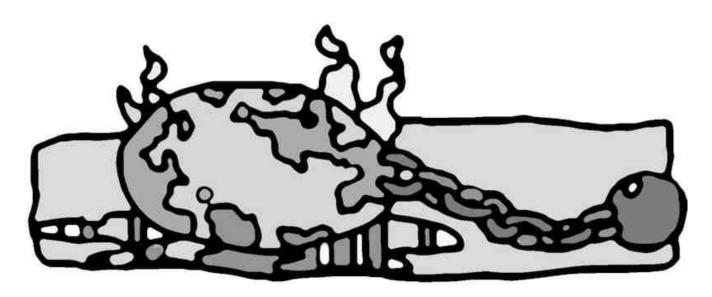


METRO NEW YORK WORLD MINISTRY

ADULT SABBATH SCHOOL CONTRIBUTING NOTES
For the week of October 14 – October 20, 2017
Lesson #3 of "Salvation by Faith Alone: The Book of Romans"



The Human Condition

Memory Text: "For all have sinned, and come short of the glory of God." (Romans 3:23).

Additional Verses for Meditation and Study This Week:

Romans 1:16-17, 22-32; 2:1-10, 17-24; 3:1-2, 10-18, 23; Revelation 3:17-21;

Main Thought for the Week: Before we can accept Jesus Christ as our Savior, we need to accept our otherwise helpless and hopeless condition. We can never accept Christ if we think we are fine the way we are (Revelation 3:17-21). Paul emphasizes that we have all sinned, and thus need a Savior. But he also emphasizes that our past need not dictate our future. God has made a way for us to break the shackles of our slavery to sin. We need to accept it by faith. It is **faith in Jesus**, and not merely **knowledge of Jesus**, that will save each of us from our sins and sinful condition.



The Power of God

Sunday's Summary – October 15:

1.	What is the active power in the salvation of man? Romans 1:16-17			
	1 Corinthians 1:18,23-24			
	1 Peter 1:5			
D	iscuss/Consider: Do you ever struggle with doubt concerning God's assurance of you			
sa	vation? How can the verses above help you to rest in the promise of God's power to save			
	ERSONAL NOTES:			

All Have Sinned

Monday's Summary – October 16:

How clear is the Bible about who has sinned?		
Romans 3:23		
Romans 3:10-12		
Ecclesiastes 7:20		
Hebrews 4:15		
Discuss/Consider: There is little disagreement that <u>all have sinned</u> , but there is much		
debate on whether or not we have to keep sinning. Does the Bible offer us any hope for the		
current sinful human condition?		
PERSONAL NOTES:		



Progress?

Tuesday's Summary – October 17:

SUMMARY THOUGHTS: At the turn of the twentieth century, people lived with the idea that humanity was improving, that morality would increase, and that science and technology would help usher in a utopia. Human beings, it was believed, were essentially on the path toward perfection. Unfortunately, things didn't quite turn out that way, did they? Instead, the twentieth century was one of the most violent and barbaric in all of human history, thanks - ironically enough - in great part to the advances of science, which made it much more possible for people to kill others on a scale that the most depraved madmen of the past could only dream about.

How does God view human wisdom?			
Romans 1:22-23			
1 Corinthians 1:19-21			
1 Corinthians 3:18-20			
Discuss/Consider: By rejecting God what have humans in our century come to			
and idolize instead? (Romans 1:22-32)			
PERSONAL NOTES:			



What Jews and Gentiles Share in Common

Wednesday's Summary – October 18:

1.	Does knowing God's laws automatically make us better than those who do not know them?					
	Romans 2:1-3					
						Matthew 23:1-4
					D	iscuss/Consider: How often do we, even if only in our own minds, condemn others
foi	r things that we, ourselves, are guilty of? What is the solution?					
SI is ho	JMMARY THOUGHTS: The Bible makes a strong and continuous point that none of us righteous; none of us meet the divine standard; none of us are innately good or inherently ly. Jew or Gentile, male or female, rich or poor, God-fearing or God-rejecting, we all are ndemned. Were it not for the grace of God as revealed in the gospel, there would be no pe for any of us. Thank God for Jesus Christ.					
PI	ERSONAL NOTES:					

The Gospel and Repentance

Thursday's Summary – October 19:

1.	What ultimately happens to those who resist God's love and remain in disobedience?		
	Matthew 12:31-32		
	Romans 2:5-11		
	2 Thessalonians 2:8-12		
	Ephesians 4:30		
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	LUMINATION: A terrible picture of the condition of the world has been presented before		
	e. Immorality abounds everywhere. Licentiousness is the special sin of this age. Never did		
	ce lift its deformed head with such boldness as now. The people seem to be benumbed, and		
	e lovers of virtue and true goodness are nearly discouraged by its boldness, strength, and		
_	evalence. The iniquity which abounds is not merely confined to the unbeliever and the		
	offer. Would that this were the case, but it is not. Many men and women who profess the		
	ligion of Christ are guilty. Even some who profess to be looking for His appearing are no		
	ore prepared for that event than Satan himself. They are not cleansing themselves from all		
po	llution. They have so long served their lust that it is natural for their thoughts to be impure		
an	d their imaginations corrupt.		
-	Ellen G. White, Testimonies for the Church, Volume 2 , p. 346		
ΡI	ERSONAL NOTES:		



Wrapping It All Up...

Friday's Summary – October 20:

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