Romans 1-8

Lesson 1 — Student Guide

Prepare for class: Read Romans Chapters 1-8. Focus on 1:1-17.

Lesson Goal

The goal of this lesson is to answer the following question: How are we saved?

Think

Evaluate

- 1. Who are the characters in this story?
- 2. What are the objects in this story?
- 3. Where did this story happen?
- 4. When did this story happen?
- 5. What is the problem?
- 6. What events occurred in this story?
- 7. Is the problem solved?

Learn

- 8. What is the main theme of this lesson?
- 9. What sin does this lesson teach us to confess?
- 10. Where do you see the love of God in this lesson?
- 11. What does God teach us to do in this lesson?

Lead

12. What would be a good situation in which to share this message?

Discussion

- 13. What is the context of the epistle to the Romans (written by whom, to whom, when, and where)?
- 14. What three purposes inspired St. Paul to write this letter to the Roman Christians?
- 15. In Romans 1:24-27,32 we see how God delivered idolaters to sexual impurity. Where do we see sexual impurity today, and in what sense is it a judgment from God?
- 16. Three of the key words found in the Bible are justification, redemption, and grace. Define these three words and find the verse in Romans chapter 3 in which all these words are found together.
- 17. Read Romans 8:28-30. In addition to God's beautiful promise to those called according to his purpose, what is the process that occurs in the lives of those who have been chosen or predestined to become part of God's family?
- 18. What does Romans 6:3,4 tell us about Baptism?
- 19. Compare Paul's view of how we become righteous in God's eyes with that of the Jews (focus on the second half of chapter 3).

Lesson wrap-up

How are we saved?