



Righteousness Through the Law

HELLO

This section of Romans is pretty straight-forward and not difficult to grasp for saved and unsaved alike. Yes, you can get caught up on things like circumcision and Jewish Law kind of things that are foreign to our time and culture. However, the point about no one is “in” while others are “out” is obvious. Without God, we’re all hopeless.

Have you ever been bullied, seen someone bullied, or bullied someone yourself? How did that feel?

GROW

Read Romans 2:17-3:20

What was it like when you experienced someone thinking or treating you like they were better than you?

For the rule-followers, what challenges have you experienced trying to keep score?

For the less strict ones, what have you learned about the positive side of having rules and structure? (Or have you even come around to it yet?)

MOVE

What do you think is at the core of religious superiority?

How do you know if someone is a “true” believer in Christ?

What should Maury Hills be cautious about to avoid religious superiority? (it’s true for any church but this one is ours and we have skin in the game here.)

This part of the letter is really about humility and understanding God's grace. This is a huge opportunity for growth for everyone who hears these words. The lesson is not just a caution for believers. It's also a wake-up call for seekers that God is for them and for us all if we will submit to his love and care.

How can we combat self-centeredness, climbing the ladder, and self-preservation attitudes in our secular life to be what God is calling us to here?

PRAY

Nothing will make you feel more like a community than this time. Share your joys, your burdens, your victories, your fears. This is the place to do it.