

## **SMALL GROUP RESOURCE**

Big Idea:

**Be eager to share the gospel.**

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

1 Corinthians 1:2-5  
1 Corinthians 15:9-14  
Galatians 3:22-29  
Ephesians 2:1-10  
Hebrews 10:35 – 11:6  
James 2:14-26  
2 Peter 1:5-8

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

#### **Romans 1:8-17**

Why does Paul want to see the people of Rome in person?  
Paul clearly believes in the power of the Holy Spirit. Would he still have the same desire to see people “face to face” with all the technology that we have today?  
How can a message save anyone? What are examples of “words that save” in other situations?  
What is Paul’s obligation in verse 14?  
When you think of sharing the gospel, who do you think you are obligated to?  
How would your attitude change if you saw your obligation the same way Paul does?  
What is the faith that Paul is talking about?  
How are the gospel and faith connected?  
How does it change your attitude toward faith if you think of it as something you have?  
How would you describe your faith?  
Where in the world do you see faith that encourages you?

#### **PRAYER FOCUS:**

Thank you, Father, that the crucifixion and resurrection are events in history.  
Thank you that my faith is built on Jesus and the power of His resurrection.  
Remind me to encourage others by praying for them.

## **FAMILY RESOURCE**

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### **READ ROMANS 1:8-10**

Why is Paul thankful?  
Who knows that you love Jesus?

### **READ ROMANS 1:11-13**

Why does Paul want to see them?  
Tell each other one thing that you did this week because you love Jesus.

### **READ ROMANS 1:14-15**

Who is the gospel (good news about Jesus) for?  
Draw pictures of things that wise people do.  
Draw pictures of things that foolish people do.  
Draw hearts around every person you have drawn.

### **READ ROMANS 1:16**

What kinds of things are you ashamed of?  
Why is Paul not ashamed of the gospel?  
Make an “I LOVE JESUS” sign and put it where others can see it..

### **READ ROMANS 1:17**

What does the gospel tell us about God?  
Look up the word “righteous” in the dictionary.  
Look up the word “faith” in the dictionary.  
Using your own words, write out a definition for each word.

### **MEMORY VERSE:**

What, then, shall we say in response to this?  
If \_\_\_\_\_ is for us, who can be against us?  
He who did not spare his own Son,  
but gave Him up for us all—how will He not also,  
along with Him, graciously give us all things?  
\_\_\_\_\_ 8:31-32

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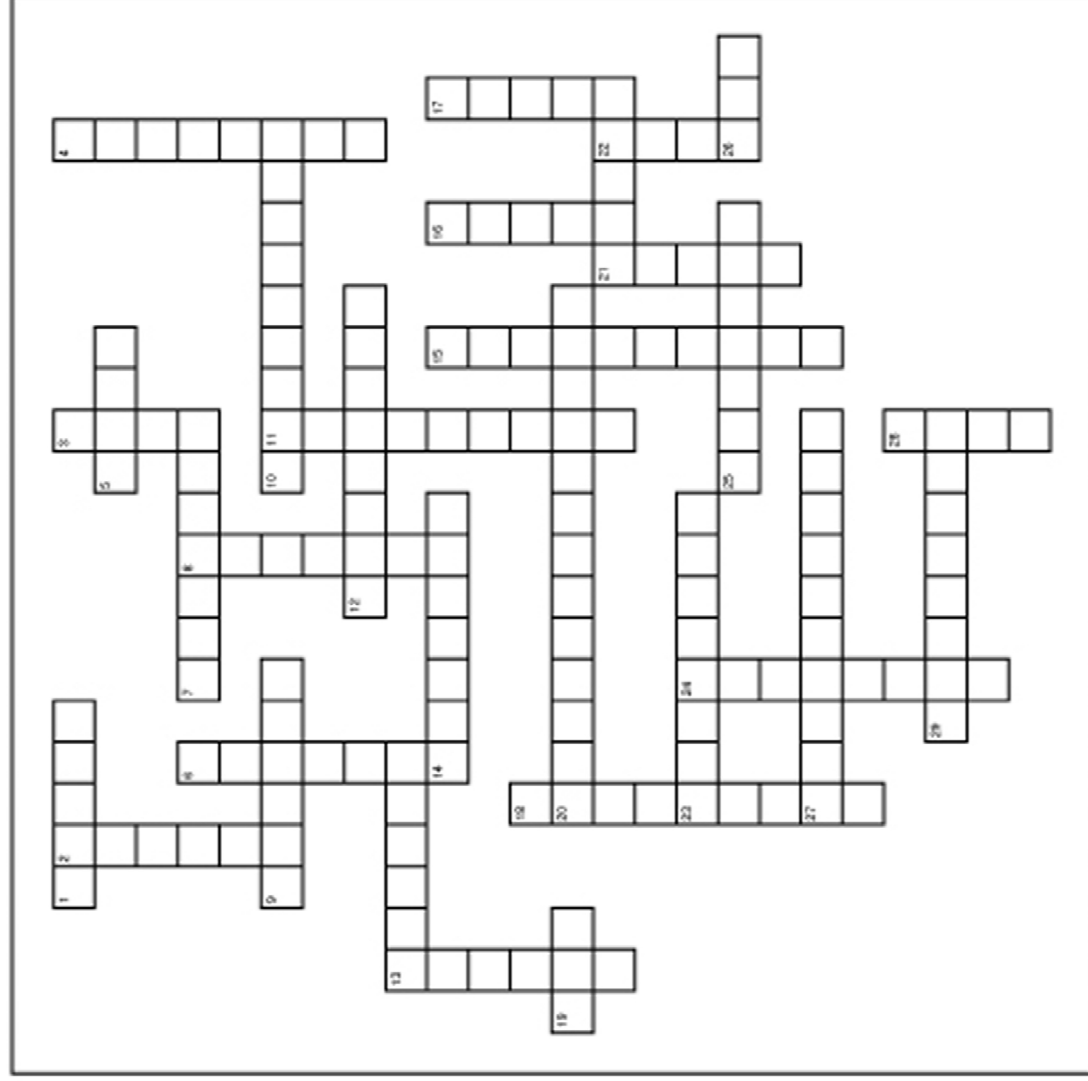
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# Romans 1:8-17

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## Across

1. #1 on the list (Romans 1:8)
5. desire or choice (Romans 1:10)
7. uninformed (Romans 1:13)
9. powerful (Romans 1:11)
10. Godly (Romans 1:11)
12. obeys and trusts (Romans 1:16)
13. an educated people (Romans 1:14)
14. reaping (Romans 1:13)
19. descendant of Abraham (Romans 1:16)
20. holiness (Romans 1:17)
21. entire (Romans 1:9)
23. all (Romans 1:16)
25. those who are not Jews (Romans 1:16)
26. He gets thanked (Romans 1:8)
27. boosted (Romans 1:12)
29. recall (Romans 1:9)

## Down

2. give (Romans 1:11)
3. those who have and use knowledge (Romans 1:14)
4. together (Romans 1:12)
6. those who don't have or don't use knowledge (Romans 1:14)
8. an on the spot observer (Romans 1:9)
11. telling (Romans 1:9)
13. good news (Romans 1:9)
15. always (Romans 1:9)
16. trust in God (Romans 1:8)
17. obey and follow (Romans 1:9)
18. kept from (Romans 1:13)
21. earth (Romans 1:8)
22. yearn (Romans 1:11)
24. told about (Romans 1:8)
28. ask God (Romans 1:10)

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3. REPRETOD	-----
4. LLIW	----
5. SNTGRO	-----
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