

# CROSSROADS BIBLE CHURCH

## GROWTH GROUP CURRICULUM

Oct 23, 2023

The Book of Romans - Week 4

Romans 3:9-20

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### Quick Review

1. Was there anything from this past Sunday's message that challenged or confused you?
2. Can you think of one thing from Sunday's sermon that you are likely to remember two weeks from now?

### My Story

1. We heard this weekend that Jesus is the only solution to our universal problem of sin. How do you think your friends and family who aren't yet interested in Jesus would respond to hearing that everyone has a sin problem and Jesus is the only cure for it?

### Digging Deeper

1. Read verse 9. Paul says every person is "under sin". What does that mean?
  - a. How can both religious people (Jews) and depraved pagans be "alike" under sin?

### **Digging Deeper (cont.)**

2. Take another look at verses 10-18. Paul gives us a long list of all the effects of sin on us. There are at least seven. What are they?
  
3. In verse 11, Paul says “no one seeks for God”. What does this mean?
  - a. How does this statement square with all the people who seem to be searching for God?
  
  - b. What does this mean for anyone who is truly seeking to come into God’s presence?
  
4. Paul says “no one does good” (v. 12) and that our deeds are “worthless”. But Jesus says we should do “good works” (Matt 5:15). How could both be right?
  - a. Why is it necessary to understand that “no one does good”?

### **TAKING IT HOME: Pray**

We all have people in our lives who haven’t recognized they have the universal problem of sin and therefore haven’t accepted the universal cure – Jesus. Write down the names of the people in your life you hope encounter Christ and commit to praying for that persons salvation.