
Discussion Questions

1. God uses major characters (like the Apostle Paul) and minor characters (like Sosthenes) to advance His kingdom. Who are a few “behind the scenes” people who God has used powerfully in your life?
2. 1 Corinthians 1:2 reminds us that all those who call on the name of Jesus Christ are brothers and sisters in the church. Who is the most different Christian you’ve ever met? Think of someone who genuinely calls on the name of Christ, yet differed from you in almost every other aspect. Describe this person. How does it feel to be in the family with them?
3. Read Titus 2:11–13. How is God accomplishing these things in you right now? Focus particularly on the aspects of training he mentions in 2:12.
4. Peace comes from God our Father through our Lord Jesus Christ. What is peace/shalom? Given this, how can we extend peace to those around us? Think of specific examples of how you can do that this week.
5. The Apostle Paul was both faithful and flawed. Sosthenes was seemingly insignificant. Which one do you feel most like today? Pause and pray together over this. Take time to ask God what He has to say to you in in this regard. Listen. Then share what you heard, sensed or saw.

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Welcome One Another, Romans 15:17, Pastor Matthew St. John