

## Romans 4:1-8 Reflection & Group Questions

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### Personal Reflection and Application\*:

**Reread the passage above and answer the following questions:**

1. If God were to ask you: "Why should I let you into my heaven," what would you say?
  2. How would you define faith? Has that definition changed through your reading Romans 4?
  3. How do you experience the blessing of forgiveness? Are there things which cause you to forget or under-appreciate it?
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### Group Discussion Guide:

**Reread the passage above and select which items below to discuss. All of them are *optional*. Group Leaders please consult your leaders guide in the weekly email.**

1. Reread Romans 4:1-8. As a group come up with a **one-sentence summary** for this passage.
2. What is the logical connection of these verses to the verses that came before? In other words why is Romans 4 needed in light of what Paul has said about the gospel?
3. What insights resonated for you this week from Romans 4? What questions do you have about this passage?
4. What teaching points from Romans so far do you find hard to accept? Why?
5. When you hear what Romans teaches about human sin, is there anyone that your heart-breaks for (cf. Romans 9:1-3) wishing that they would come to experience God's saving grace (Romans 3:21-26)?
6. What teaching points from Romans so far thrill you?
7. Pray for God to save people we are concerned about. Pray for courage from and clarity about the gospel for ourselves as we strive to communicate the good news to friends, family, neighbors, etc who do not know the blessedness of saving grace (Romans 4:7-8).
8. Let us ask the Lord to use us. Ask the Lord to direct the steps of this community group that we might be used to practically help those in need this holiday season. Pray that the love of Christ would be both seen in and clearly heard from us.
9. Close in prayer and planning.