



Sermon Discussion Questions

"The Good News of God"

Romans 1:1-6

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Opener:

In the midst of all the bad news in the world today, what is your immediate response to good news? Do you rush to tell everyone about it?

Questions:

1. How does Paul describe himself and his life mission in verses 1 and 5?
2. In light of Paul's previous life as Saul, a Roman citizen (Acts 7:54-8:1; Acts 9), why is it significant that he should call himself a servant in verse 1?
3. What specific truths about Jesus and the Gospel are summarized in verses 3-5?
4. What is the privilege and the responsibility of being "called to belong to Jesus Christ (verses 5-6)?"

Application:

5. When and how did you first feel God's call in your life?
6. If you were to write a letter similar to Paul's, how would you introduce your current relationship with God? Complete the sentence: "I am a _____ of Christ."
7. Do you have a Paul in your life who encouraged you during the early days of your faith?
8. Whom do you have the greatest opportunity of sharing the gospel with? How can you reach them?

*These questions were adapted from *The NIV Quiet Time Bible* (InterVarsity, 1996), *The Serendipity Bible for Groups* (Zondervan, 1998), and *The NIV Life Application Study Bible* (Zondervan, 2011).