Lesson 5: Review of the Romans Road

OBJECTIVE: To rehearse the scriptures and personal testimony with others, to become familiar with witnessing, and to be ready when an encounter presents itself

Scripture: Matthew 13: 1-9

The parable of the soils. There are four receptivity categories. Lets determine how which category a lost person fits.

The seed represents:
 What does the seed represent:
 What does the soil represent:

The receptivity categories are:

- 1. Hard Soil: vs. 4. Agnostic. Thinks that it is not possible to know for certain that God exists. Feels no need for God or religion.
- 2. Rocky Soil: vs. 5. Gives the gospel only a shallow hearing. Depends on works to earn salvation.
- 3. Thorny Soil: vs. 7. Does not understand or does not accept the Lordship of Jesus.
- 4. Good Soil: vs. 8. Very receptive

Notice Jesus does not choose where to drop the seeds or witness. But sows everywhere and allows the soil to make its responds to the seed. Jesus tests the soil by sowing the seed.

I. Recognizing Opportunities

As a Christian you want to be an effective witness by learning to recognize and seizing witnessing opportunities. Every contact is a potential opportunity to lead a person to Christ. If you think a person is going to be unresponsive, then you will become intimidated and talk yourself out of witnessing.

The Best Opportunities Are Close to Home

Do you have a family member, who does not know	Jesus?
List the family member's name:	Relationship:
You want to know if the family member is:	

Imagine where the moment of witnessing is taking place:		
Are there any possible scenarios going on in their lives:		
SicknessBirthdayWeddingJob Lost		
DeathDivorceMarriage IssueEducation		
Lack of OpportunitiesFinancial Hardship Addiction		
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Discuss the scenario, see how they are feeling about what is happening in their lives.		
Transition statements: (May I ask you a question; Do you mind if I ask you a question) (once they give you permission) 1. Do you have a personal relationship with Jesus Christ 2. If you were to die today, would you go to heaven or hell? 3. Describe your relationship with Jesus Christ? 4. What is your faith story? Or tell me about your faith? 5. Do you know what it means to be saved? 6. Do you desire to be saved? 7. Do you desire to live for Jesus? 8. Do you desire to live a righteous life? 9. Do you want to be right with God? 10. Why would Jesus accept you into His Kingdom?		
 Transition: Sharing Your Testimony (Depending on the flow of the conversation) Ask, may I share my testimony Just share your testimony: start by saying My testimony is 		
What are the three components to a testimony: 1 2		

Transition: May I explain what it means to have a relationship with Jesus Christ

Intro: God's Salvation

Read 1:16-18

God offers us a free gift of salvation. To be saved means to need God's forgiveness. God's gift of salvation leads us to being right with God.

His power overtakes us and our sin.

A. Man Cannot _____ Himself

Read Romans 3:23

All of us our have sin. We cannot save ourselves. We all have behaviors, actions, words, deeds that separate us from God. No one is exempt from sin.

Our problem is sin, and sin means to miss the mark. Our aim is righteousness, we want to be right with God, but sin prevents us from hitting that righteous mark.

Every person as missed the mark. Every person has sinned

B. Sin leads to _____

Read Romans 6:23

Sin earns us death. Death is more than physical death. Everyone will die physically. Death means eternal separation from God.

But God offers us the gift of eternal life. The gift of eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. Jesus paid our sin debt by dying on the cross in our place.

Jesus came to earth as a human and lived a perfect righteous life and did not sin. He lived up to God's standard and in His death, He paid the penalty for sin.

Jesus rose from the dead to complete our salvation. Jesus has victory over physical death and lives forever as our Lord and Saviour.

C. God _____ Us

Read Romans 5:8

One of the amazes things to learn about God is that He loves despite what we have done. God loves us not for who we are but because He is a God of love.

Christ demonstrated how much He loved us by dying on the cross for our sins. John 3:16 says, "For God so loved the world that He gave us His only begotten son, that whosoever would believe in Him would not perish but have everlasting life."

Know that God loves you and does not want you to stay in your sin.

D. Man _____ Repent

Read 2:4b

The one thing that man must do is repent of his sins. Repent means to turn away from what separates us from God. Repenting means to feel sorry for your sins.

Sometimes we feel sorry about something we have done but we do not repent. But to repent means to change the direction or turn away from sin.

We must ask God to forgive us of our sins and invite Him to be your Lord.

E. Trust God

Read Romans 10:9

Now we must make a confession that we are sinners and that Christ loves us. Will you confess that you are a sinner? Will you trust Jesus Christ for your salvation? Do you trust Jesus Christ to save you of your sins?

When we put our trust in Christ, we desire to go to heaven to be with the Lord. We trust God that He has done something for us that we could not do for ourselves and that is give us eternal life.

F. Be saved

Read Romans 10:13

Will you invite Jesus Christ to come into your heart and be your Lord and saviour.

Appeal to Receive Christ

Ask the person to pray to receive Christ into their lives by praying with them this prayer.

"Lord, I do believe in you. I know that I am a sinner. I repent of my sins. Please forgive me and come into my heart. I receive you now as my Savior and Lord. Help me to live my life for you. Thank you for hearing my prayer and coming into my heart."

The Romans Road Quiz

Multiple Choice Questions

- 1. What is the first verse in the Romans Road?
 - A. Romans 3:23
 - B. Romans 1:16-17
 - C. Romans 5:8
 - D. Romans 10:9
- 2. According to Romans 3:23, who has sinned?
 - A. Only those who break the Ten Commandments
 - B. No one
 - C. Some people
 - D. All have sinned
- 3. What does Romans 6:23 say is the result of sin?
 - A. Eternal life
 - B. Death
 - C. Happiness
 - D. Wealth
- 4. How does Romans 5:8 demonstrate God's love?
 - A. By providing wealth
 - B. By sending a prophet
 - C. By Christ dying for us while we were sinners
 - D. By giving us the Ten Commandments
- 5. What must one do to be saved according to Romans 10:9?
 - A. Follow the Ten Commandments
 - B. Believe in Jesus
 - C. Confess and believe
 - D. Perform good deeds
- 6. Romans Road ends with which verse assuring salvation?
 - A. Romans 3:23
 - B. Romans 6:23
 - C. Romans 5:8
 - D. Romans 10:13

Fill in the Blanks

1.	Romans 3:23 - "For all have and fall short of the glory of God."
2.	Romans 6:23 - "For the wages of sin is, but the gift of God is eternal life in
	Christ Jesus our Lord."
3.	Romans 5:8 - "But God demonstrates his own for us in this: While we were
	still sinners, Christ died for us."
4.	Romans 10:9 - "If you declare with your mouth, 'Jesus is Lord,' and in your
	heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved."
5.	Romans 10:13 - "Everyone who on the name of the Lord will be saved."

Short Answer

- 1. What do all the verses in the Romans Road collectively demonstrate?
- 2. Why is Romans 5:8 significant in understanding God's love?
- 3. What assurance does Romans 10:13 provide to believers?