

Sermon Supplement from January 12

“Why Faith?” – Romans 3:27-31

WARM UP

- How would you define faith? How is biblical faith different from “a leap of faith?”
- Why do you think God chose faith as the instrument of salvation?

DIG IN

Verses 27-28 – Faith Humbles

- What leads to wrongful boasting in the Christian life?
- What do the following passages teach about boasting? Philippians 3:5-11; Ephesians 2:8-9; 1 Corinthians 1:31; Galatians 6:14.
- What’s the difference between misplaced and well-placed boasting?
- In what ways do boasting in oneself stifle worship of God?
- Where do you see a tendency toward misplaced boasting in your life?

Verses 29-30 – Faith Unites

- State the big idea of these verses in your own words.
- How does this passage teach against both religious pluralism and religious elitism?
- How does the teaching on faith in these verses promote unity?

Verse 31 – Faith Upholds

- Since we are justified by faith, why can’t we live however we want?
- In what ways does faith in Christ uphold God’s righteous standard?

WRAP UP

- What are 1-2 action steps you will take as a result of this study?

Next Week – Sanctity of Human Life | Guest Speaker Pastor David Perez

Text for Jan 26 – Romans 4:1-12

- **Read** – Read the text several times looking for key ideas.
- **Reflect** – What truths stand out to you? What challenges, convicts, or encourages you?
- **Respond** – What is your response to what you just read?