

SERMON GUIDE

LIFE ISN'T FAIR

Romans 3:21-26 | Pastor Tim Prince

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Conversation Questions

The Conversation Guide is a great tool for individuals, families, discipleship groups and Missional Communities to take a deeper, more personal dive into the content of the current sermon series. The Conversation Guide will be posted by every Friday on the 'live' page of our website and in our weekly newsletter. We encourage you to use it this week on your own, around your dinner tables, over coffee with your friends or in your faith groups!

The Conversation Guide is built on the SOAP model, which is a tool you can use when reading the Bible. SOAP helps you be intentional about paying attention to:

- S**cripture that stands out to you while you read
- O**bservations you are making about a passage
- A**pplications that connect the verses to your real life and relationships
- P**rayers that invite God to participate in all that you do

Getting to know me: Have you ever received a gift (with no strings attached) that was not given for a birthday, holiday, or celebration? What was it and how/when was it given to you?

Note about the passage:

Romans is a letter that was written by the Apostle Paul to believers in Jesus who lived in Rome. The biggest ideas in the letter have to do with the gospel and the righteousness of God being accessed by faith alone.

Read Romans 3:21-26

- S** What verses, phrases, or words stand out to you as you read this text? Is anything "illuminated" or jumping off the page and affecting your spirit?
- O** What do you notice about this text? What do you find interesting? What questions do you have about the ideas?
- O** What does it mean to be justified? How has God justified humanity? How has he done it?
- O** Why would anyone want to be justified other than by faith? How could justification by faith create a sense of "unfairness"?
- A** Are there any ways/areas in your life that you like to justify yourself? How does this affect the people in your life?
- A** Are there any unfair circumstances in your life? How does God's grace as a gift in your life help?
- P** Talk to God about your application responses. Ask him to speak to you, help you, forgive you, and provide direction as needed.

Bonus Read Genesis 22:1-14 & Romans 4:1-5. How do our faith and our actions work together in our relationship with God?