

True Colors
Matthew 10:32-42

Review:

1. The only human distinction that matters to God is whether we are dead in our sins in Adam or alive in Christ
2. Our relationship to Jesus is more important than family and friends, and even more important than life itself
3. If we belong to Christ, we will support fellow Christians and confess Him before unbelievers

Go further: Read Romans 5

1. How does Paul say we are justified, declared right in the sight of God?
2. What are some of the benefits of our justification, according to verses 1 and 2?
3. In verse 3, why does Paul say we should glory in our tribulations?
4. What does perseverance produce in us?
5. Why do you think Paul says that proven character always leads us to hope? Where is this kind of hope always placed?
6. Why does this hope never disappoint us?
7. What does Paul say in verse 6 about our own strength to save ourselves?
8. For whom does Paul say Christ died in verses 6 and 8?
9. Why does Paul say Christ died for us in verse 8?
10. From what does Paul say Christ will save us in verse 9?
11. Whose sin is Paul describing in verse 12? What does Paul say happened to everyone because of this sin?
12. In verse 14, what does Paul say happened to everyone from the time of Adam to the time of Moses? What caused this to happen?
13. A type is someone or something that foreshadows or mimics a person or event that comes later in history. Of Whom does Paul say Adam is a type?
14. In verses 15-19, Paul explains how Adam's effect on his descendants is similar to what Christ did for His people. What happened because of Adam's transgression?
15. In verse 15, why does Paul say God's grace abounded to many people?
16. In verse 16, to what did Adam's judgment lead? What came from God's free gift in Christ?
17. In verse 17, what does Paul say happened because of Adam's transgression? In contrast, what does Jesus Christ bring His people?
18. In verse 18, what does Paul say was the result of Adam's one transgression? What is the result of Christ's act of righteousness?
19. In verse 19, what does Paul say happened because of Adam's disobedience? What happened because of Christ's obedience?

Apply:

1. Have you ever had the sort of tribulation Paul mentions in Romans 5:3-5? How did it affect you?
2. In Romans 5:10-11, Paul describes our salvation as being reconciled to God. What does such reconciliation mean to you?
3. Looking at the difference between being in Adam and being in Christ, in what concrete ways can you demonstrate that you belong to Jesus?