

## Fusion Q's

### The Quest for Eternal Life – The Passion of God

#### What's Up?...

If there are new students, get to know them a little before starting.

**Discussion Starter...** Would you rather steal a dollar from an old lady or fart really loud at a funeral?

#### Discussion Questions

Q1. In the talk, we compared sin to drinking poison. Compare the effects of poison (physical effects) with the effects of sin (spiritual effects). How are they similar? How are they different?

Q2. What are some of the effects of the "poison" (sin coming into the world) that you see in the world around you?

Q3. What are some of the ways that the poison of sin has affected you personally?

#### **READ Romans 3:9-18, 21-26**

Q4. In our passage, Paul explains how all of us are in the same boat – we have all drank the poison, and no one is truly good. How do you feel about this?

Q5. The idea of us being bad people instead of good people is very difficult for us to accept because our culture believes the opposite. How do you think your friends who don't know Jesus would respond the Bible's claim that we're not good people?

Q6. Paul explains in v.21 that God has shown us how to be made right with him (the antidote to the poison). How can a person be made right with God?

Q7. How does knowing that Jesus has put us in right standing with God affect how you see your relationship with God?

#### **BIBLE TEXTS**

##### **Romans 3:9-18 (NLT)**

<sup>9</sup> Well then, should we conclude that we Jews are better than others? No, not at all, for we have already shown that all people, whether Jews or Gentiles, are under the power of sin. <sup>10</sup> As the Scriptures say,

"No one is righteous— not even one.

<sup>11</sup> No one is truly wise; no one is seeking God.

<sup>12</sup> All have turned away; all have become useless.

No one does good, not a single one."

<sup>13</sup> "Their talk is foul, like the stench from an open grave.

Their tongues are filled with lies."

"Snake venom drips from their lips."

<sup>14</sup> "Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness."

<sup>15</sup> "They rush to commit murder.

<sup>16</sup> Destruction and misery always follow them.

<sup>17</sup> They don't know where to find peace."

<sup>18</sup> "They have no fear of God at all."

##### **Romans 3:21-24 (NLT)**

<sup>21</sup> But now God has shown us a way to be made right with him without keeping the requirements of the law, as was promised in the writings of Moses and the prophets long ago. <sup>22</sup> We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are.

<sup>23</sup> For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard. <sup>24</sup> Yet God, in his grace, freely makes us right in his sight. He did this through Christ Jesus when he freed us from the penalty for our sins.