

THE BLUEPRINT:

BUILDING A FRAMEWORK THAT'S
GROUNDED IN THE GOSPEL

Discussion Guide

May 9, 2021

Blueprint: Week 5

ICE BREAKER: What's a quirky or unusual fear that you have? Is there a funny story related to this?

THIS WEEK'S SCRIPTURAL TEXT:

- Read [Romans 8: 12-30](#)

GENERAL QUESTIONS:

- What initially stands out or grabs your attention in the passage this week? Why?

DIGGING DEEPER QUESTIONS:

- In [Romans 8:12-17](#), Paul refers to several different roles or works of the Holy Spirit. Which of these works of the Spirit is especially meaningful to you right now? Why?
- Pastor Craig referred to a healthy tension between Adoption and Slavery (Justification and Sanctification). Is this a new concept for you? Do you see this tension in your own life?
- Have you ever felt fear or shame in your walk with Christ? Does that come from the Holy Spirit? Have you seen patterns in your life where one mistake leads to the next? How do we break the cycle?
- In [Romans 8:18-27](#), is the "groaning" that Paul refers to bad? What does it point to?
- How do you define "winning"? Does it match up with the paradox of scripture? Should "winning" be different for Christians? Why?
- According to [Romans 8:28](#), God uses all things (good and bad) for our good. Is this hard for you to accept? Share an example of how this concept has played out in your own life or walk with Christ?
- How did Pastor Craig say we tend to define good? Do you tend to live or define your Christian walk by the "here and now" or our "future glorification"? Why does this matter, according to [Romans 8](#)?

PERSONAL APPLICATION:

- What is one thing you hear God telling you as a result of this week's sermon?
- Is there anything you need to do differently as a result of what you are hearing?
- How can the small group or an accountability partner support you in this?