

Every church and every person needs to have foundational beliefs that guide and direct life, decisions, direction, and processes. During 'Foundations' *The Church at Martinsburg* will examine the book of Romans and establish core doctrinal beliefs for life, relationships, and mission. This series more than any we've done before will set the pace and direction for the church.

**Growth Questions for 6/13 -6/20**

1. What insight, principle, or observation from this weekend's message did you find most helpful, eye-opening, troubling?
2. What are some things that people today rely on to claim moral superiority over others?
3. What motivated the Jews' bragging about their relationship with God? What should we as Christians boast in? (1 Cor. 1:29-31; 2 Cor. 10:13-18, 11:30, 12:5-9; Gal. 6:14-15)
4. Read this passage aloud. Substitute "Jews" with "Christians". Substitute "circumcision" with "baptism". Substitute "law" with "Bible". How does this affect your understanding of this passage? Can you think of other things that are analogous to circumcision people might boast or rely upon?
5. What does Paul mean by "circumcision of the heart"? How is one's heart circumcised?

***Proclaim...Reach...Connect...Go***  
***Living on Mission***

1. In what way did the Jews blaspheme God among the Gentiles? How might this relate to the church today?
2. Can you think of times you were trying to teach someone and thought, "that's good advice... I ought to listen to that"? Are there things you are doing right now that do not reflect well on the name of Christ? Take some time today to deal with those things before God.
3. Is there anything that you are relying on for your moral standing apart from the Gospel? How can you communicate the Gospel to others today and at the same time share how your own moral living is not sufficient to reconcile you to God?

**TAKE TIME DAILY FROM 6/14 THROUGH 7/15 TO PRAY FOR BOTH TEAMS TRAVELING TO INDIA**

(Utilize the prayer card you have been given to pray with friends and family)

**SUMMER TEACHING SESSION**

The Church at Martinsburg will offer teaching on selected subjects through the summer. Each study will be lead by a qualified person who is prepared and ready to teach, train, and equip others in the areas of study. Some classes may have material cost, others will not. Additional info located at: [www.martinsburgchurch.org](http://www.martinsburgchurch.org); **SIGN UP TODAY!**

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