

On the Same Team

February 17th

Discussion Questions

- 1. Read Romans 3:9-20. What are some things that Paul is trying to communicate? What stands out to you most and why?
- 2. How does being on the same team impact his audience? Remember he's writing to a diverse group of Jews and Gentiles (Romans 3:9).
- 3. Have you ever been on a poorly functioning team? What made it dysfunctional?
- 4. How do you know when a team is functioning properly—when everyone is on the same team?
- 5. How does Sunday's message impact your approach to faith and relationships?
- 6. When Paul says "All are under the power of sin", how do you respond to his claim?
- 7. Why is this fact so important for Paul's to get across? How does this claim change everything for his audience?

8.	Is it easy or difficult to consider yourself in the same position as everyone else? Why?
9.	What are ways that you have tried to improve your position? Or ways that you justify varying degrees of "sinfulness"? (Cf. Philippians 3:3-8)
10.	How does Jesus interact with or respond to "sinners"?
11.	Romans 3:21 states that "all have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God" (compare Romans 1:21-23). How does Jesus reveal the glory that we have fallen short of?
12.	Write down one way that you plan to respond to this past Sunday's message or to Paul's message in Romans 3:9-20. Why did you choose this response?
Conclusion Write down Romans 1:16. Take a moment to read it aloud and pray that this week you may have an increasing understanding of the power of the gospel of Jesus Christ.	