Small group Discussion Questions

Romans Chapter 3:

Comprehension: (In other words, what does it say?) Again, who was Paul writing to?

What are the main themes in this chapter?

Interpretation: (In other words, what does it mean?) What was/is the purpose of the law and is it still applicable? Is the Old Testament still necessary? Why?

What exactly is righteousness and is anyone capable of being righteous? How?

If God is perfection and we fall short no matter our actions, is there a point in trying to follow the law? Has God set us up to fail?

What does justification mean? How are we justified?

What do we learn about the sins committed before Jesus came?

Does being Jewish matter? In what ways and in what ways not?

Application: (In other words, how do I apply this to my life?)

"...God doesn't respond to what we do, *we* respond to what God does..." Romans 3:27-28 MSG In what ways are you responding to God? How do you show your faith...without boasting? :)

Do you ever feel as if you cannot be justified or forgiven by God? How does this chapter help you better understand God's patience, mercy, and love for you?