

Romans 11: 33 - 36

More than conquerors?



The Text – Romans 11:33-36

1. Read Romans 9:1-5 and then Romans 11:33-36. What has shifted in Paul's attitude?
2. What are some of the reasons given throughout Romans 9-11 that have caused this shift in perspective?
3. Focus in on Romans 11:33. How has the wisdom and knowledge of God been revealed to Paul through the situation of the Jews rejecting Jesus?
4. Read Romans 11:34. These questions are quoted from Isaiah and Job. What are they saying about God? What are they saying about us?
5. Read verse 36. Paul says that all things are from, through and for God. What do you think this means?
6. What does it mean to give God glory? Why is he deserving of all glory?

The Scriptures – Romans 11:33-36 as a portion of the Scriptures

1. Isaiah 40:12-31. How is the theme of this passage related to Romans 11:33-36? What does it teach about the relationship between God and humanity?
2. Read Job 41:1-11 and 42:1-6. How is God's wisdom and knowledge described in Job and what is Job's response when he realises how wonderful and great God is?

Our lives – walking the way of Jesus in response to Romans 11:33-36

1. When have you been confused or unsettled by what God is doing in your life and/or in the world? How do you typically respond?
2. Can you think of times where God has surprised you and something that looks like failure has resulted in good? Can you think of times in the biblical story where this has happened?
3. What are some ways in which you like to give praise to God? What are some ways you would like to learn to give praise to God?