New Life Community Church Lifeline Notes The Apostle Paul's Letter to the Romans "Rightly Related to Relate Rightly" Testing Gospel Comprehension (Romans 3:21-4:3)

Scripture Reading: Romans 3:21-4:3

The Case for the Power of the Gospel

- 1. _____ the gospel is (Romans 1:16-17)
- 2. _____ the gospel is _____ (Romans 1:18-3:20)

The wrath of God against _____ ungodliness of men

Testimony of creation, history, reason, conscience, the Law, Scripture

_____ humankind since the fall of Adam is under sin

3. _____ the gospel _____ (3:21-26)

- God's _____ righteousness (the finished work; v.21-24)
- God's ______ righteousness (once and for all; v.25-26)

Gospel Comprehension Tested

1. Where then is boasting? (Romans 3:27)

Romans 3:27-31	Romans 4 Biblical Illustratration
Boasting is excluded (3:27)	Abraham has no right to boast (4:1-2)
Because one is justified by faith, not self-justifying works (3:27)	Because Abraham was justified by faith, not self- justifying works (4:3-8)
Circumcised and uncircumcised are united under one God through faith	Circumcised and uncircumcised are united as children of Abraham through faith (4:9-11)

II. What is the basis of our acceptance before God? (3:28)

III. Does your understanding affirm the universals declared in the gospels? (Romans 3:29-30)

3 Universals from the standpoint of the gospel:

1. Only one ______of _____

2. Only one _____ (for ____)

3. Only one _____ to be _____

IV. Does the gospel contradict or confirm the Law? (Romans 3:31)

1. The law is upheld in its _____ work.

2. The law is upheld in its _____ work.

3. The Law is upheld in the _____ work.

4. It upholds the Law in its _____ work.

How do we answer these Questions?

- 1. Christians have nothing to boast in
- 2. Christians rest in
- 3. Christians affirm that there is:
 - Only one Only one Only one
- 4. Christianity upholds