CHURCH

## Kicking Off

Watch the following clip from the comedy series 'The Good Place': <u>www.youtube.com/watch?v=ut0ai4s4mjU</u> What did you think of the scoring system for getting into The Good Place? How many people across the globe do you think believe a variation of this? (Answer: Billions – Muslims, Hindus, Catholics, Jews) Why is the belief that you can earn your salvation such a common heresy?

## **Digging Deeper**

## Read Romans 9:30-10:21

At the time of Paul writing, irreligious non-Jews were being saved in their thousands but the Jews who very religious by and large were not being saved. Why?

What is the stone that Paul refers to in 9:32-33?

Why does sincerity not make a person right with God? (10:1-3)

In what sense is Christ the culmination of the law? (10:4)

How is salvation in Christ readily available? (10:6-10)?

All that anyone needs to do to be saved is all that anyone can do? Discuss.

Do you agree that every Christian is a missionary or an imposter? Why/why not? (v14-16)

What are some different ways of being involved in evangelism according to the New Testament? What could you be involved in?

For most Jews, the chain of events that are necessary to be saved has not been completed. Why?

In what sense is a person who takes pride in their morality as lost as a person who rejects God?

## Think it Through

Why might calling on Christ as Lord be costly?

If Christ is not your Lord he cannot be your saviour. Discuss.