

Questions for Personal Study or Group Discussion

Open

- Has there been a time in your life when you felt truly weak? Why did you feel that way?

Read

- Romans 5:6-11

Observe

- What words does Paul use to describe what believers once were in the eyes of God?
- How does the death of Christ change the way God sees us?
- How does the Old Testament ritual of sacrifices illustrate what Christ did on the cross?
- Imagine that Paul is preaching these words to our church family. What is his tone of voice? His demeanor? What's in his heart?

Apply

- What does reconciliation look like in your life? Share an example of how you've experienced reconciliation.
- What three words best describe your life before you trusted in Jesus? What about now?

Prayer

- *Give thanks* to God for loving you even when you were a sinner, his enemy. Thank him for his justifying grace and for saving you from his wrath through the death of Christ Jesus.