**The Roman Road to Salvation**

**The Call: 1 Peter 3:15**

“...but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, always *being* ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence...”

**The Gospel: 1 Corinthians 15:3-4**

“For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, 4and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day according to the Scriptures...”

**Romans 3:23** – “...for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God...”

**Romans 6:23a** – “For the wages of sin is death...”

**Romans 6:23b** – “...the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.”

**Romans 5:8** – “But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us.”

**Romans 10:9** – “...if you confess with your mouth Jesus *as* Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved...”

**Romans 5:1** – “Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...”

**Mapping the road:**

Begin with Romans 3:23. At the top of the page containing this scripture, write Romans 6:23. Once your friend reads Romans 3:23 and explains correctly what it means, look up to the top of the page where you will see that the next scripture is Romans 6:23. Turn to that scripture. Once your friend has read this and explained it, look to the top of the page, where you have written Romans 5:8. Turn to that scripture...and so on.

Remember to pray for the Holy Spirit’s influence and witness to the truth of what your friend is reading and processing. Also, always be praying for your friend.

You can gain the right to ask your friend to read scripture by sharing what Jesus has done in your life. First, tell your friend what your life was like before Jesus changed it. Then explain how Jesus interrupted your life, then explain how things have been since you trusted Jesus. Don’t be afraid. Ask the Lord for the courage, concern, and love for your friends that will help you give a defense for the faith that God has given you.