

Study Guide Questions – 3/6/16
Our God is Rich in Mercy (Ephesians 2:1-10)
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Please don't feel obligated to answer each of these questions. Answer the questions that seem to be most helpful to your group, time permitting. But we do hope that you will find time to address question 9.

Read Ephesians 2:1-10 and Pray for the Spirit's illumination and guidance as you meditate on his Word together.

1. How does the apostle Paul describe the condition of people who have not been regenerated by the power of God?
2. How are we to understand the wrath of God? In what ways is it misunderstood today?
3. Explain the importance of those two words, "but God," in verse 4.
4. What do we learn about the nature of God in the next few verses that follow this important conjunction?
5. What does this text tell us about what we have to look forward to in the coming ages? How should this truth inform our lives/ worship today?
6. If faith is a gift to the believer, in order to be saved, what is our responsibility with regard to faith?
7. Discuss the truth that the same power that raised Lazarus from the dead, is necessary to raise you from spiritual death to spiritual life? How does this truth comfort you or challenge you? How does it affect how you think about evangelism?
8. According to verse 10, what were we created by God to do?
9. Let's close our time by addressing this question: what does the, "but God" look like in my life? In other words, what evidence in my life points to the reality that God has given me a new heart and new desires.