

**Week Four**

**Feb. 1**

**2:1-10**

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### **Discussion Questions**

1. First pray that the eyes of your heart will be enlightened. Then read thru the passage three times slowly, prayerfully, worshipfully. Try reading it out loud. This is one of the greatest passages in the Bible!
2. What does it mean to be dead in your sins? Why would Paul use the word “dead” and not some other descriptor?
3. Can you think of any OT passage that Paul might be drawing from in this passage?
4. Describe Paul’s tone and mood as he writes or dictates this passage?
5. What are the three great forces or enemies of man’s soul that Paul has identified in verses 2-3? How do these forces work together?
6. It’s hard to imagine a worse condition than the one described in verses 1-3. Left to ourselves this is truly a hopeless situation. Consider that this was you before salvation and then describe your reaction to this.
7. What all did God save us from?
8. According to this passage, why did God do what God did on our behalf?
9. When Paul says “and that not of yourselves” in verse 8, what do you think he’s referring to?
10. If we were saved by our good works, what would we inevitably do? Why is this such an affront to God?
11. Do you feel like you are walking in the good works God has prepared beforehand for you (vs. 10)? What adjustments are needed in your life to start walking more in those good works? How do you think spiritual giftedness (chapter 4) relates to v.10?
12. What effect does this passage have on how you see yourself right now? How you see your brother or sister in Christ?