

Activity #3: Print this out for the older student group leaders.

Group Discussion for Romans 1:1-7

6th-10th Grade: "Real-Life Decision Breakdown"

Purpose:

Connects Romans to everyday pressures and choices &
Challenges students to think about who and what influences them most.

What You Need:

- Whiteboard or paper
- Markers
- Scenario sheet (or read aloud)

Activity Steps:

1. Break into small groups (3-4 students)

Each group answers:

Part A – Identity: Romans 1:1

Discuss:

- Why does Paul introduce himself as a servant of Jesus first?
- What does it mean to truly belong to someone?
- Why would Paul be proud to belong to Christ instead of ashamed?

Romans 1:1 "Paul, a servant of Christ Jesus..."

Have students discuss:

- Identity
- Loyalty
- Purpose
- Who influences us most

Part B – Calling & Purpose

Have them discuss earthly identity vs God-given identity:

Example:

Earthly Identity	God-Given Identity
Popular	Called by God
Successful	Belongs to Jesus
Independent	Servant of Christ
Accepted by people	Loved by God

Romans 1:6-7 "You also are among those who are called to belong to Jesus Christ..."

Discuss:

- How does the world define people?
- How does God define believers?

Part C – The Better Way to Live

Ask: “What changes when someone truly believes they belong to Jesus?”

Have students look up tie-in scriptures and connect:

- 2 Corinthians 5:17 “If anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation...”
- Galatians 2:20 “It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me.”

Discuss:

- Choices
- Friendships
- Speech
- Priorities
- Purpose

Group Discussion Questions:

- Why do people sometimes hide their faith?
- Was Paul ashamed of belonging to Jesus?
- Can someone say they follow Jesus but live like they belong to the world?
- What does it look like to represent Christ well?

2. Personal or Out loud Reflection (Silent – 5 minutes)

Ask students to write or answer out loud: “What in my life shows that I belong to Jesus?”

OR

What is one area where I need to represent Christ better?

Prayer & Reflection: Ask God to help you reflect Christ well to others and ask Him to grow you in the areas that are lacking to reflect Christ to the world.

(No sharing required if done silently- keep it personal)

Key for Lesson: Becoming a Christian is more than believing facts about Jesus, it means belonging to Him and living for Him. Jesus becomes your identity.