

4. In ROMANS 5:3, Paul speaks of *boasting* in his *sufferings*.

a. Explain what this means.

b. Give an example of how the idea of boasting in your sufferings can be misused.

PERSONAL APPLICATION

1. Practice: List three specific ways your life can bring glory to Jesus Christ.

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2. Thank God for your weaknesses and ask Him to use those weaknesses to glorify Himself.

If you have never been *born again*, contact Pastor Keith or a trusted Christian friend this week to find out how.



Where is Boasting?

Introduction: ROMANS 3:27-4:3.

I. _____

has _____ in the life of a Christian.

A. God does not want you to boast in

_____.

ROMANS 4:1-3; EPHESIANS 2:8-9; 1 CORINTHIANS 4:7

B. God does not want you to boast in

_____.

ROMANS 2:17; 2:23; 1 CORINTHIANS 1:27-29; 3:3-7, 21

C. God does not want you to boast in

_____.

ROMANS 3:27; 1 CORINTHIANS 5:1, 2, 6; 9:15; JAMES 4:13-16

II. A Christian should boast _____ to
_____ to God.

A. God wants you to boast that
_____ the _____.

ROMANS 5:1-2,9-11; 1 CORINTHIANS 1:27-31;

ROMANS 15:17; GALATIANS 6:13-14; PHILIPPIANS 3:2-8

B. God wants you to boast that
when _____, _____ is _____.

ROMANS 5:1-5; 2 CORINTHIANS 11:30; 12:9

• PROVERBS 13:10

• PROVERBS 16:18

• PROVERBS 21:24

STUDY & DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. In JAMES 1:9, the Greek word translated *take pride* (NIV) is from the same root as the word translated *boasting* (NIV) in ROMANS 3:27. What does James teach us about *boasting* in this context?

2. *Pride* is at the root of sinful boasting. Study the following proverbs about *pride* and suggest how these verses might apply to *boasting*.

• PROVERBS 11:2

3. Read JAMES 3:13-16. Give several modern-day examples of the kind of *boasting* James describes in VERSE 14.