

Growth Group Questions
For the week of February 17, 2013
What Will You See? The kindness or severity of God?

Icebreaker: give a praise for something you love about winter. ☺

READ TEXT: Romans 11

1. Paul tells us to...*consider therefore the **kindness** and **sternness** of God...* (11:22). When you think of God, do you tend to keep these in balance, or do you remember kindness more than sternness, or sternness more than kindness? Comments?

2. Do you consider yourself: (a.) a balanced believer, focusing on both the kindness and sternness of God, or (b.) lopsided and focusing more on the kindness of God, or (c.) lopsided and focusing on the sternness and fearfulness of God.

3. How does your answer to question #2 affect your life? Lazy or fearful about serving God? Joyful or in bondage in tithing and giving? Balanced?

4. In sharing Christ with others, how can both the kindness and sternness of God help us and others? How might it affect our approach? Consider Jesus and his emphasis of these--to whom did he show kindness? To whom sternness?