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## 30 Second Gospel Summary – Discussion Guide

### **Section 1**

Discuss what you applied in the past seven days from the last Overflow Show.

Read Romans 3:21-25 in an NIV Bible if one is present. Discuss the concepts of “apart from law” (v. 21) and “through faith in his blood” (v. 25) as it relates to what you know of the world’s religions. Compare the wording with any other Bible translations present.

### **Section 2**

Go to [www.OverflowShow.com](http://www.OverflowShow.com) and listen to the 5-minute podcast titled “30 Second Gospel Summary.”

### **Section 3**

What did you think? What stood out to you as you listened?

What has been able to explain to non-Christians about grace in a succinct way? How were you able to do that?

Discuss the integrity of saying a statement like, “It’s great to be out of religion and in Christianity.”

Discuss the authors’ contention that almost all religions’ salvation doctrine can be spelled in 2 letters: “do.”

What are some Bible passages that give perspective on the relationship between salvation and doing?

Expand on the authors' contention that Christianity is unique among all world religions, by being primarily based on the word "done."

What is the significance of the word done being past tense, in this discussion?

What are the key misconceptions that non-Christians have of Christianity that this method addresses?

If performance or doing is not a part of the salvation part of Christianity, how is it a part of Christianity at all? In what way and at what stage, as opposed to most other world religions?

#### **Section 4**

Discuss some ways we could apply a few of these principles in the next 7 days?

*One suggestion (if needed): Ask a friend which of the following words most aptly describes religion: doing or done. Ask her why she feels that way. If she asks your opinion, respond that doing applies for all religions with one exception - Christianity. Explain "done" for her*

Overflow enthusiastically recommends the book [Becoming a Contagious Christian](#) by Mark Mittelberg and Bill Hybels, from Zondervan Publishing House.

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