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### Lecture Summary Week 12

The concepts of sin and righteousness play a central role in the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Pauline Epistles. In both texts, the "righteousness of God" is closely linked to the concept of sin and the need for redemption.

In the Dead Sea Scrolls, the "righteousness of God" refers to God's perfect and just nature, and the "sin" is seen as a deviation from this standard. The scrolls emphasize the importance of maintaining purity and righteousness in all aspects of life, and warn of the consequences of falling into sin.

Similarly, in the Pauline Epistles, the "righteousness of God" refers to God's perfect and just nature, and the "sin" is seen as a violation of this standard. Paul teaches that all humans have sinned and fallen short of the glory of God, and that the only way to be made righteous is through faith in Jesus Christ.

Both the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Pauline Epistles highlight the importance of acknowledging and confessing sin, and seeking forgiveness and redemption through God's grace. They also emphasize the need for a righteous life, based on obedience to God's commands and a commitment to ethical behavior.

Overall, the concepts of sin and righteousness are central to both the Dead Sea Scrolls and the Pauline Epistles, and highlight the importance of living a life that is pleasing to God.

