



FOR I AM NOT ASHAMED OF THE GOSPEL, FOR IT IS THE POWER OF GOD FOR SALVATION TO EVERYONE WHO BELIEVES (ROMANS 1:16)

Recap from Romans 2:1-11

The moral person who feels disgusted with the words of chapter 1 now boasts in their good life. They approach God feeling justified since they do not do the acts of the Gentiles, yet Paul says that before God they are equally guilty because a Holy God sees all sin as a violation to His nature.

The person who tries to rely upon their moral good deeds is just as guilty as the obvious sinner, therefore they will not escape the judgment of God either.

Their “good works” will not justify them because our sins are against God and not a comparison against one another

Romans 2:12-29

The Pride of being “God’s People”

Q - Why did God separate the Jewish people to be “*His People*” rather than some other nation?

Q - What was the Abrahamic promise of Genesis 22:17,18 pointing too? Genesis 22, Gal 3

Q - What does John 1:9-14 mean? What about Hosea 11:1 & Matt 2:15

The Basis of Judgment of all peoples. - vs 11-16

Paul addresses their pride by condemning their false ideas concerning:

- their covenant relationship with God - vs 17
- their superior understanding of Divine knowledge - vs18
- their circumcision - vs 25-29

However, those who do not have such advantages are more blessed by God than you Jews for they obey what they know is true by faith. While you who trust in your religious ceremony which is empty actually condemn yourselves and turn others away from God when they see your hypocrisy.

God’s judgment is according to reality in our lives, not because of a religious profession, family, nationality or rank.