

BOOK TO THE ROMANS
THE GOSPEL [GOOD NEWS] OF GOD
THE WHOLE WORLD GUILTY BEFORE GOD
CONTINUING - THE APOSTATE CHURCH DOES NOT FEAR GOD.

1. UNGODLINESS INEXCUSABLE
 - A. ROMANS 2:1-29 YOU, THEREFORE, HAVE NO EXCUSE, YOU WHO PASS JUDGMENT ON SOMEONE ELSE, FOR AT WHATEVER POINT YOU JUDGE THE OTHER, YOU ARE CONDEMNING YOURSELF, BECAUSE YOU WHO PASS JUDGMENT DO THE SAME THINGS.
 - I. MATTHEW 7:1-2 "DO NOT JUDGE, OR YOU TOO WILL BE JUDGED. [2] FOR IN THE SAME WAY YOU JUDGE OTHERS, YOU WILL BE JUDGED, AND WITH THE MEASURE YOU USE, IT WILL BE MEASURED TO YOU.
 - II. GALATIANS 6:7-8 DO NOT BE DECEIVED: GOD CANNOT BE MOCKED. A MAN REAPS WHAT HE SOWS. [8] THE ONE WHO SOWS TO PLEASE HIS SINFUL NATURE, FROM THAT NATURE WILL REAP DESTRUCTION; THE ONE WHO SOWS TO PLEASE THE SPIRIT, FROM THE SPIRIT WILL REAP ETERNAL LIFE.
2. GOD'S JUDGMENT IS JUST BECAUSE OF HIS REVELATION
 - A. ROMANS 2: [2] NOW WE KNOW THAT GOD'S JUDGMENT AGAINST THOSE WHO DO SUCH THINGS IS BASED ON TRUTH.
 - I. SEE ROMANS 1:32
 - II. THE APOSTATE CHURCH TODAY IS SAYING "I SHOULD BE ACQUITTED FOR THE SIN I AM COMMITTING BECAUSE OF THE GRACE AND MERCY OF GOD."
3. GOD'S JUDGMENT IS JUST BECAUSE MAN'S IMPENITENCE DESERVES IT
 - A. ROMANS 2: [3] SO WHEN YOU, A MERE MAN, PASS JUDGMENT ON THEM AND YET DO THE SAME THINGS, DO YOU THINK YOU WILL ESCAPE GOD'S JUDGMENT? [4] OR DO YOU SHOW CONTEMPT FOR THE RICHES OF HIS KINDNESS, TOLERANCE AND PATIENCE, NOT REALIZING THAT GOD'S KINDNESS LEADS YOU TOWARD REPENTANCE? [5] BUT BECAUSE OF YOUR STUBBORNNESS AND YOUR UNREPENTANT HEART, YOU ARE STORING UP WRATH AGAINST YOURSELF FOR THE DAY OF GOD'S WRATH, WHEN HIS RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT WILL BE REVEALED. [6] GOD "WILL GIVE TO EACH PERSON ACCORDING TO WHAT HE HAS DONE."
 - I. HOW CAN YOU SEE THE KINDNESS, TOLERANCE AND PATIENCE OF GOD AND STILL NOT LOVE HIM AND TURN TOWARDS HIM.
 - II. YOU ARE THANKFUL FOR THE WAY HE TREATS YOU, BUT WHEN YOU SEE ANOTHER, YOU THINK HE SHOULD TREAT THEM WITH WRATH.
 - III. A TIME IS COMING WHEN THE WRATH OF GOD WILL BE REVEALED.
 - IV. AND YOU AND THE PERSON THAT YOU ARE JUDGING WILL BOTH BE JUDGED USING THE SAME TRUTH.
4. GOD'S JUDGMENT IS JUST BECAUSE OF EQUALITY IN OBEYING THE GOSPEL
 - A. ROMANS 2: [7] TO THOSE WHO BY PERSISTENCE IN DOING GOOD SEEK GLORY, HONOR AND IMMORTALITY, HE WILL GIVE ETERNAL LIFE. [8] BUT FOR THOSE WHO ARE SELF-SEEKING AND WHO REJECT THE TRUTH AND FOLLOW EVIL, THERE WILL BE WRATH AND ANGER. [9] THERE WILL BE TROUBLE AND DISTRESS FOR EVERY HUMAN BEING WHO DOES EVIL: FIRST FOR THE JEW, THEN FOR THE GENTILE; [10] BUT GLORY, HONOR AND PEACE FOR EVERYONE WHO DOES GOOD: FIRST FOR THE JEW, THEN FOR THE GENTILE. [11] FOR GOD DOES NOT SHOW FAVORITISM.

PERSISTENCE IN DOING GOOD	SELF SEEKING
SEEK GLORY	REJECT THE TRUTH
SEEK HONOR	FOLLOW EVIL
SEEK IMMORTALITY	

RESULT OF THIS BEHAVIOR

ETERNAL LIFE	WRATH - ANGER
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GLORY, HONOR AND PEACE	TROUBLE - DISTRESS
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- B. GOD DOES NOT SHOW FAVORITISM
- C. LOOK AT MY STUDY ON JUDGMENTS, WHAT BRINGS ON TROUBLE AND DISTRESS, WHEN DOES IT HAPPEN?
- I. EPHESIANS. 6:9 AND MASTERS, TREAT YOUR SLAVES IN THE SAME WAY. DO NOT THREATEN THEM, SINCE YOU KNOW THAT HE WHO IS BOTH THEIR MASTER AND YOURS IS IN HEAVEN, AND THERE IS NO FAVORITISM WITH HIM.
 - II. COL. 3:25 ANYONE WHO DOES WRONG WILL BE REPAID FOR HIS WRONG, AND THERE IS NO FAVORITISM.
 - III. JAMES 2:1-2 MY BROTHERS, AS BELIEVERS IN OUR GLORIOUS LORD JESUS CHRIST, DON'T SHOW FAVORITISM. [2] SUPPOSE A MAN COMES INTO YOUR MEETING WEARING A GOLD RING AND FINE CLOTHES, AND A POOR MAN IN SHABBY CLOTHES ALSO COMES IN.
5. GOD'S JUDGMENT IS JUST BECAUSE OF EQUAL RESPONSIBILITY ACCORDING TO THE LIGHT RECEIVED
- A. ROMANS 2:[12] ALL WHO SIN APART FROM THE LAW WILL ALSO PERISH APART FROM THE LAW, AND ALL WHO SIN UNDER THE LAW WILL BE JUDGED BY THE LAW. [13] FOR IT IS NOT THOSE WHO HEAR THE LAW WHO ARE RIGHTEOUS IN GOD'S SIGHT, BUT IT IS THOSE WHO OBEY THE LAW WHO WILL BE DECLARED RIGHTEOUS. [14] (INDEED, WHEN GENTILES, WHO DO NOT HAVE THE LAW, DO BY NATURE THINGS REQUIRED BY THE LAW, THEY ARE A LAW FOR THEMSELVES, EVEN THOUGH THEY DO NOT HAVE THE LAW, [15] SINCE THEY SHOW THAT THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LAW ARE WRITTEN ON THEIR HEARTS, THEIR CONSCIENCES ALSO BEARING WITNESS, AND THEIR THOUGHTS NOW ACCUSING, NOW EVEN DEFENDING THEM.) [16] THIS WILL TAKE PLACE ON THE DAY WHEN GOD WILL JUDGE MEN'S SECRETS THROUGH JESUS CHRIST, AS MY GOSPEL DECLARES.
 - I. WE HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING ABOUT WHO WILL PERISH AND WHO WILL NOT PERISH.
 - (1) THOSE WHO SIN - PERISH.
 - (A) »STRONG'S HELP APOLLUMI, GREEK 622, STRONG'S APOLLUMI, AP-OL'-LOO-MEE; FROM GREEK 575 (APO) AND THE BASE OF GREEK 3639 (OLETHROS); TO DESTROY FULLY (REFLEXIVE TO PERISH, OR LOSE), LITERAL OR FIGURATIVE :- DESTROY, DIE, LOSE, MAR, PERISH.
 - (B) DOES NOT MATTER IF YOU HAVE THE LAW OR NOT.
 - (i) IF YOU SIN, YOU WILL SUFFER LOSE.
 - 1) A MAN REAPS WHAT HE SOWS.
 - II. WE HAVE A CLEAR UNDERSTANDING ABOUT WHO DOES NOT PERISH OR HAVE LOSE.
 - (1) IT IS THOSE WHO DO THE THINGS REQUIRED BY THE LAW.
 - III. WHAT WE SEE HERE IS CLUES AS TO WHAT IS GOING TO TAKE PLACE AT THE JUDGMENT SEAT OF CHRIST.
 - (1) GOD WILL JUDGE CONDUCT AND CONDUCT BASED UPON LIGHT RECEIVED.
 - (2) HE IS GOING TO JUDGE CHARACTER, BASED ON THE INNER MAN.
 - (3) HE IS GOING TO JUDGE YOUR DEEDS NOT YOUR KNOWLEDGE.

THE CASE OF THE JEW

1. HIS TENFOLD STATE
 - A. ROMANS 2:[17] NOW YOU, IF YOU CALL YOURSELF A JEW; IF YOU **RELY ON THE LAW** AND **BRAG ABOUT YOUR RELATIONSHIP TO GOD**; [18] IF YOU **KNOW HIS WILL** AND **APPROVE OF WHAT IS SUPERIOR** BECAUSE YOU **ARE INSTRUCTED BY THE LAW**; [19] IF YOU **ARE CONVINCED** THAT YOU ARE A **GUIDE FOR THE BLIND**, A **LIGHT FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN THE DARK**, [20] AN **INSTRUCTOR OF THE FOOLISH**, A **TEACHER OF INFANTS**, BECAUSE YOU **HAVE IN THE LAW THE EMBODIMENT OF KNOWLEDGE AND TRUTH**—
 - I. YOU ARE A PERSON WHO THINKS THESE THINGS ABOUT YOURSELF.

CALL YOURSELF A JEW	CALL YOURSELF A CHRISTIAN
RELY ON THE LAW	RELY ON THE GRACE AND MERCY OF GOD

APPROVE OF WHAT IS SUPERIOR - THE LAW	GRACE - MERCY
YOU KNOW THE LAW	YOU KNOW GRACE AND MERCY
YOU ARE CONVINCED YOU ARE A GUIDE	YOU ARE CONVINCED YOU ARE A GUIDE FOR GODS' TRUTH
YOU ARE A LIGHT FOR THOSE WITH OUT LAW	A LIGHT FOR THOSE WITH OUT GRACE AND TRUTH
YOU TEACH THE FOOLISH AND INFANTS	YOU TEACH THE FOOLISH AND INFANTS
LAW IS KNOWLEDGE AND TRUTH	GRACE IS KNOWLEDGE AND TRUTH

2. HIS SIXFOLD SIN AND APOSTASY

A. ROMANS 2:[21] YOU, THEN, WHO TEACH OTHERS, DO YOU NOT TEACH YOURSELF? YOU WHO PREACH AGAINST STEALING, DO YOU STEAL? [22] YOU WHO SAY THAT PEOPLE SHOULD NOT COMMIT ADULTERY, DO YOU COMMIT ADULTERY? YOU WHO ABHOR IDOLS, DO YOU ROB TEMPLES? [23] YOU WHO BRAG ABOUT THE LAW, DO YOU DISHONOR GOD BY BREAKING THE LAW? [24] AS IT IS WRITTEN: "GOD'S NAME IS BLASPHEMED AMONG THE GENTILES BECAUSE OF YOU."

- I. WHAT YOU HAVE TO SAY ABOUT OTHERS, DO YOU SAY ABOUT YOURSELF?
- II. DO NOT STEAL, DO YOU STEAL?
- III. DO NOT COMMIT ADULTERY, DO YOU COMMIT ADULTERY?
- IV. DO YOU HATE THOSE WHO "TRY TO KEEP UP WITH THE JONES'?", DO YOU BASE YOUR LIFE ON "THINGS"
- V. DO YOU SAY, "I WISH EVERYONE WOULD OBEY GOD?", DO YOU DISHONOR HIM BY BREAKING HIS LAW?
- VI. GOD IS PUT DOWN, HIS GLORY STOLEN BECAUSE THERE IS LITTLE DIFFERENCE TODAY BETWEEN THOSE IN THE CHURCH AND THE SYNAGOGUE AND THOSE OUTSIDE THE CHURCH AND SYNAGOGUE.

(1) THERE IS LITTLE POWER TODAY WITH GODS' PEOPLE BECAUSE OF THE WAY THEY LIVE.

(A) **2 TIM. 3:5 (NIV)** HAVING A **FORM OF GODLINESS** BUT DENYING ITS POWER. HAVE NOTHING TO DO WITH THEM.

3. HOW CIRCUMCISION PROFITS?

A. ROMANS 2:[25] CIRCUMCISION HAS VALUE IF YOU OBSERVE THE LAW, BUT IF YOU BREAK THE LAW, YOU HAVE BECOME AS THOUGH YOU HAD NOT BEEN CIRCUMCISED. [26] IF THOSE WHO ARE NOT CIRCUMCISED KEEP THE LAW'S REQUIREMENTS, WILL THEY NOT BE REGARDED AS THOUGH THEY WERE CIRCUMCISED? [27] THE ONE WHO IS NOT CIRCUMCISED PHYSICALLY AND YET OBEYS THE LAW WILL CONDEMN YOU WHO, EVEN THOUGH YOU HAVE THE WRITTEN CODE AND CIRCUMCISION, ARE A LAWBREAKER.

JEW	CHRISTIAN	OTHER
CIRCUMCISION + LAW = VALUE	BAPTISM + LAW = VALUE	LAW = VALUE
BREAK THE LAW = NO VALUE	BREAK THE LAW = NO VALUE	BREAK THE LAW = NO VALUE
KEEP LAW = CIRCUMCISION	KEEP LAW = BAPTISM	KEEP THE LAW = CIRCUMCISION, BAPTISM
CONDEMNED BY THE ONE WHO OBEYS THE LAW	CONDEMNED BY THE ONE WHO OBEYS THE LAW	CONDEMNED BY THE ONE WHO OBEYS THE LAW

4. THE DEFINITION OF A REAL JEW

- A. ROMANS 2:[28] A MAN IS NOT A JEW IF HE IS ONLY ONE OUTWARDLY, NOR IS CIRCUMCISION MERELY OUTWARD AND PHYSICAL. [29] NO, A MAN IS A JEW IF HE IS ONE INWARDLY; AND CIRCUMCISION IS CIRCUMCISION OF THE HEART, BY THE SPIRIT, NOT BY THE WRITTEN CODE. SUCH A MAN'S PRAISE IS NOT FROM MEN, BUT FROM GOD.

JEW	CHRISTIAN
NOT, IF ONLY OUTWARDLY	NOT, IF ONLY OUTWARDLY
CIRCUMCISION NOT MERELY OUTWARD AND PHYSICAL	BAPTISM NOT MERELY OUTWARD AND PHYSICAL
CIRCUMCISION IS OF THE HEART BY THE SPIRIT	BAPTISM IS OF THE HEART BY THE SPIRIT
PRAISE NOT FROM MAN, BUT FROM GOD	PRAISE NOT FROM MAN, BUT A RELATIONSHIP WITH GOD