

Questions

What are some of the **self-righteous tendencies** still living in you as a Christian which points to your **continuing need for the Gospel**?

Explain how a religious person (a Jew) is just as guilty before God as a non-religious person (a pagan).

Has there ever been a time where you have judged someone else while steeped in your own sin? Give the specifics.

Have you ever known someone who thinks they are going to heaven due to their religious heritage or their moral life? Have you ever believed this?

Discuss the Main thrust of Paul's argument:

“Salvation for both Jew and Gentile is available only by doing good (2:6, 11, 13). The power of sin prevents both Jews and Gentile from doing good (3:9-19). Therefore: No one can be saved by doing good (3:20)

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Do you believe that God is an impartial judge? What Does that mean?

Discuss: Both Jew and Gentiles will be exposed as sinners on the Day of Judgment. Their secrets will be laid bare and they will have fallen short of the Glory of God. People may look externally religious and holy, yet not only does God judge what they do in secret but he also judges the secret thoughts and intentions of their heart. Once you hit on motives and the secret life then all our exposed as sinners before a Holy God. **Your secrets will one day come out.**

Explain how we all need the Gospel.

Outline

Breaking Good?

Romans 2:1-16

God Judges according to the truth (Romans 2:1-5)

God judges all people impartially based upon their works. (Romans 2:6-15)

God judges the secrets of all people according to Christ Jesus (Romans 2:26)

