

GOD'S RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT.

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INTRO.:

A. Text: Romans 2:1-11.

B. Regarding the text:

1. **Chapter 1:**

- 1) Corruption brought about by the Gentile's wisdom.
- 2) **Rom. 1:16-17:** redemption is revealed in the gospel.
- 3) **Rom. 1:18-32:** the condition of men who reject God and His word.

2. **Chapter 2:**

- 1) After addressing the Gentile, Paul now shows the same judgment will be upon the Jews.
- 2) All will be judged without respect of persons.

DISCUSSION: FROM THESE VERSES WE OBSERVE...

I. A FORBIDDEN JUDGMENT (1-3).

A. Note: "Therefore" – The Jew was inexcusable. He had the benefit of the Law of Moses.

1. **Rom. 1:20** states that the Gentile is without excuse.
 - 1) Nature reveals the existence of God.
2. Thus, the Jew surely could see that he was inexcusable also.
 - 1) Specifically, they had been a chosen nation.
 - 2) They had been given a law which proclaimed the events which identified the gospel as it was ushered in.
 - a. **Isa. 2; Dan. 2; Joel 2; Acts 2:16.**
 - 3) The gospel would be the new law (**Heb. 1:1-2; Rom. 1:16; Col. 2:14**).

B. Paul is not forbidding judgments.

1. Judgments MUST be made. Both good and bad (**Matt. 7:1-5, 15-16**).
2. **Vs. 5:** "righteous judgments" (**John 7:24** according to the law).
3. The **CONTEXT:**
 - 1) The Jews condemned the Gentiles but would not accept the gospel of Christ (**Acts 13:48-50**).
 - 2) The warning: The Jews were hypocritical (**Vs. 3**).

II. GOD'S GOODNESS (4).

A. Note: "The riches of His goodness..."

1. This includes all that God has done for mankind.
 - 1) **Eph. 2:4, 7.**
 - 2) **Rom. 11:22.**

B. Vs. 4 This goodness includes His "forbearance and longsuffering..."

1. Forbearance and longsuffering.
 - 1) **2 Pet. 3:9** The idea is God allows time for men to repent.
 - 2) **1 Pet. 3:20.**

C. Yet, He will not tarry forever.

III. GOD'S JUDGMENT (5-11).

A. We will be judged.

1. Wrath upon the hard and impenitent heart (**vs. 5**).
2. "Patient continuance" = cheerful endurance, constancy; enduring.
 - 1) Those who seek eternal life (**Col. 3:2; Matt. 6:33** "Seek ye first...")
 - 2) Note **Vs. 10.**

B. No respecter.

1. The Jews believed the Gentiles were guilty of sin.
2. They overlooked their own disobedience (**Col. 3:25; Gal. 3:28**).
3. BOTH will be judged exactly the same.

IV. CONCLUSION:

A. The gospel is the same for all men.

B. All are accountable to the SAME law (Rom. 1:16**).**