
THE BOOK OF ROMANS: The Trainwreck of Spiritual Bankruptcy

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Romans 3:1-26

"No Man Knows How Bad He Is till He Has
Tried Very Hard to Be Good"

2 Questions Over God's Righteousness

1. What Is the Benefit of Being a Jew If It Doesn't Save Me from Sin and Presents No Advantage Over Gentiles or Paganism? vs1-4
2. If How Bad I Am Shows How Good God Is, then Isn't It Unfair for God to Judge Me? vs 5-8

Every One Is Under the Control / Power of Sin vs 9-18

"Don't you realize that you become the slave of whatever you choose to obey? You can be a slave to sin, which leads to death, or you can choose to obey God, which leads to righteous living." ***Romans 6:16, NLT***

1. No One Is Less Sinful Than Any Other Person
2. We Are Under The Bondage of Sin

Apart from Grace I Will Continue to Repeat Injustice,
Brutality, Selfishness, Immorality, and Idolatry

"As the Scriptures say, "**No one is righteous— not even one.** No one is truly wise; no one is seeking God. All have turned away; all have become useless. No one does good, not a single one." "Their talk is foul, like the stench from an open grave. Their tongues are filled with lies." "Snake venom drips from their lips." "Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness." "They rush to commit murder. Destruction and misery always follow them. They don't know where to find peace." "They have no fear of God at all." ***Romans 3:10-18, NLT***

A Broken Relationship with God

Broken Relationships with People

3. All Human Beings, Even Though Created in God's Image, Are Corrupted by The Power of Sin

Sin Makes Us Want to Do What We Ought Not Do

4. We Are Not Morally Good by Nature

“On account of these the wrath of God is coming.” *Colossians 3:6, ESV*

5. We Don't Just Do Sins, We Are Sinful

6. We Are Co-Conspirators with Sin Against God

The World Offers the Dying Placebos

As Bad as All This Is – God Has Good News! vs 21-26

1. God Has Shown Me a Way to Get Right with Him
2. I Am Made Right with God by Placing My Faith in Jesus
3. Jesus Has the Power to Free Me from The Penalty of My Sins
4. Jesus Was Given as A Sacrifice So I Could Live Eternally with God in Heaven
5. I Am Made Right with God When I Believe in The Power of The Blood
6. God Demonstrates His Righteousness by Providing a Way to Salvation When I Believe in Jesus

I Get Right with God Through the Gift of Righteousness
That God Gives Through Faith in Jesus Christ

