

The Righteousness of God

The Exchange

Romans 2:1 (ESV)

Therefore you have no excuse, O man, every one of you who judges. For in passing judgment on another you condemn yourself, because you, the judge, practice the very same things.

Paul is writing to Jews and Gentiles in Rome but speaking to us all.

We have _____ our Creator.

Romans 1:28a

And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God,

All are without excuse...

We've rejected God from the beginning...

In response to our rebellion and rejection of God...

God _____ the restraints.

Romans 1:28b

God gave them up to be a debased mind to do what ought not to be done.

Common Grace...

Redemptive Kindness...

As a result of our rejection of the Creator, and the removal of God's restraints on sin...

We _____ what we've sown.

Romans 1:29-32

²⁹They were filled with all manner of unrighteousness, evil, covetousness, malice. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, maliciousness. They are gossips, ³⁰slanderers, haters of God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents, ³¹foolish, faithless, heartless, ruthless. ³²Thou they know God's decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them.

Futile in their thinking and foolish in their hearts...

The opposite of Romans 12:2...

Even in our rebellion God takes the initiative...

God provides the _____.

Romans 5:8

But God shows his love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

The correct response for an unbeliever is faith...

The correct response for a believer is ...

Conclusion

Romans 1:16-17

¹⁶For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."