

The Righteousness of God

Condemned by
My Heart

Romans 2:12-24 (ESV)

¹² For all who have sinned without the law will also perish without the law, and all who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law. ¹³ For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified. ¹⁴ For when Gentiles, who do not have the law, by nature do what the law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the law. ¹⁵ They show that the work of the law is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness, and their conflicting thoughts accuse or even excuse them ¹⁶ on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

What does it mean to be a **Christian**?

From **Romans 2:1-11** ...

- 1) God's judgment is _____ *for all people*
- 2) God's judgment is _____ *to all people*

"For God shows no partiality." – 2:11

On what basis does God judge?

"For all who have _____." – 2:12

What did many of the Jews apparently believe?

What is the biblical response? (v.13)

A huge objection to the fairness of God and therefore the fairness of His judgment:

Only the Jews have _____ ...

How then, can others be **responsible** if they don't have that advantage?

The biblical response? (v. 14-15)

God has written ...

God has given ...

Our thoughts ...

The very fact that your relative, friend, neighbor, etc. is sometimes 'good' (or even 'good' most of the time) demonstrates ...

Therefore, being a 'good person' saves ...

(see Romans 3:20)

Conclusion: Judgment and the whole Gospel ...