

THE BOOK OF ROMANS
Part 4 of 36: The Danger of Judging Others
Romans 2:1-16

1. NO ONE HAS THE RIGHT TO JUDGE OTHERS

V: 1 *"You therefore have no excuse, you who pass judgement."*

The word judgement does not mean:

- _____, _____ or _____

It literally means:

- _____, pass a _____ or _____.

THREE CHARACTERISTICS OF THE SELF-RIGHTEOUS PERSON

CHARACTERISTIC #1: We _____ others and _____ ourselves.

v. 1 *You therefore have no excuse, you who pass judgement on somebody else. For whatever point you judge the others, you are condemning yourself, for you who pass judgement are doing the same thing.*

CHARACTERISTIC #2: We think that _____ others puts us in a better position.

v. 3 *So when you, a mere man, pass judgement on them and yet you do the same thing, do you not think that you will escape God's judgement?*

CHARACTERISTIC #3: We misinterpret God's _____ on our lives.

v. 4 *Or do you show contempt for the riches of His kindness, tolerance and patience not realizing that God's kindness leads you towards repentance.*

THE PURPOSE OF GOD'S GOODNESS AND KINDNESS IS to lead you towards _____ ... to motivate you to _____.

FIVE PASSAGES OF SCRIPTURE ON WHEN IT'S WRONG TO JUDGE.

1. Romans 2:1-3 - It's wrong to judge when you practice the same sin.
2. Matthew 7:1-3 - When it blinds you to your own faults. *Do not judge! or you will be judged. In the same way you judge others, you will be judged. The measure you use, it will be measured to you.*
3. John 7:24 *Stop judging by mere appearance and make a right judgement.* It's wrong to judge when you draw conclusions based on outward appearance.
4. John 7:51 *Does our law condemn a man without first hearing him to find out what he's*

doing? No. It's wrong to judge when you condemn somebody else before hearing the facts.

5. James 4:11-12 *Brothers, do not slander one another. Anyone who speaks against his brother or judges him speaks against the law and judges it. And when you judge the law you're not keeping it but setting in judgement on it. There is only one law giver and judge, the one who is able to save and to destroy, but you, who are you to judge your neighbor?*

2. ONLY GOD HAS THE RIGHT TO JUDGE OTHERS

When will God judge people?

v. 16 *This will take place on the day when God will judge men's secrets through Jesus*

Christ as my gospel declares.

How will God judge people?

v. 2 *Now we know that God's judgement against those who do such things is on truth.*

THREE PRINCIPLES OF GOD'S JUDGEMENT

What will we be judged for?

1. We're going to be judged according to our _____ -- the way we act, the way we lived, our deeds. v. 6-10

v. 7 To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory and honor and immortality He will give eternal life. But for those who are self seeking and reject the truth and follow evil there will be wrath and anger. There will be trouble and distress for every human being who does evil first for the Jew and then for the Gentile but glory, honor and peace for everyone who does good first for the Jew and then for the Gentile.

2. God is going to judge us according to our _____.

V. 12- 15 All who sin apart from the law will also perish apart from the law. And all who sin under the law will be judged by the law.

v. 13 For it is not those who hear the law are righteous in God's sight, but it is those who obey the law who will be declared righteous. Indeed, when the Gentiles, who do

not have the law, do by their very nature the things required by the law, even those they are a law to themselves since they show the requirements of the law that are written on their hearts, their consciences [circle this] also bearing witness, and their thoughts now accusing them, now even defending them.

v. 13 God is not going to judge us for hearing the law but according to our responsiveness for it is not those who hear the law that are righteous, but it's those who obey it.

3. We're going to be judged for our _____.

v. 16 This will take place when God will judge men's secrets through Jesus Christ as my gospel declares.