

Romans 2 Visual Breakdown

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.

² We know that the judgment of God rightly falls on those who practice such things.

³ Do you suppose, O man—

you who judge those who practice such things

and yet do them yourself—

that you will escape the judgment of God?

⁴ Or do you presume on the riches of his

kindness

and forbearance

and patience,

not knowing that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?

⁵ But because of your hard and impenitent heart you are storing up wrath for yourself

on the day of wrath

when God's righteous judgment will be revealed.

⁶ He will render to each one according to his works:

⁷ to those who by patience in well-doing seek for

glory

and honor

and immortality,

he will give eternal life;

⁸ but for those who are self-seeking^[a]

and do not obey the truth,

but obey unrighteousness,

there will be wrath and fury.

⁹ There will be tribulation and distress for every human being who does evil,
the Jew first

and also the Greek,

¹⁰ but glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good,
the Jew first

and also the Greek.

¹¹ For God shows no partiality.

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.

¹⁷ But if you call yourself a Jew

and rely on the law

and boast in God

¹⁸ and know his will

and approve what is excellent,

because you are instructed from the law;

¹⁹ and if you are sure that you yourself are

a guide to the blind,

a light to those who are in darkness,

^o an instructor of the foolish,

a teacher of children,

having in the law the embodiment of knowledge and truth—

²¹ you then who teach others,

do you not teach yourself?

While you preach against stealing,

do you steal?

²² You who say that one must not commit adultery,

do you commit adultery?

You who abhor idols,

do you rob temples?

²³ You who boast in the law dishonor God by breaking the law.

²⁴ For, as it is written, “The name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you.”

²⁵ For **circumcision** indeed is of value if you obey the law,

but if you break the law,

your **circumcision** becomes **uncircumcision**.

²⁶ So, if a man who is **uncircumcised** keeps the precepts of the law, will not his **uncircumcision** be regarded^(b) as **circumcision**?

²⁷ Then he who is physically^(c) **uncircumcised**

but keeps the law

will condemn you who have the written code^(d) and **circumcision**

but break the law.

²⁸ For no one is a Jew who is merely one outwardly,
nor is **circumcision** outward and physical.

²⁹ But a Jew is one inwardly,
and **circumcision** is a matter of the heart,
by the Spirit,
not by the letter.

His praise is not from man but from God.