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Romans 2:1-16

¹Therefore, every one of you who judges is without excuse. For when you judge another, you condemn yourself, since you, the judge, do the same things. ²Now we know that God's judgment on those who do such things is based on the truth. ³Do you think – anyone of you who judges those who do such things yet do the same – that you will escape God's judgment?

Romans 2:1-16

⁴Or do you despise the riches of his kindness, restraint, and patience, not recognizing that God's kindness is intended to lead you to repentance? ⁵Because of your hardened and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath, when God's righteous judgment is revealed.

Romans 2:1-16

⁶He will repay each one according to his works: ⁷eternal life to those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honor, and immortality; ⁸but wrath and anger to those who are self-seeking and disobey the truth while obeying unrighteousness. ⁹There will be affliction and distress for every human being who does evil, first to the Jew, and also to the Greek; ¹⁰but glory, honor, and peace for everyone who does what is good, first to the Jew, and also to the Greek. ¹¹For there is no favoritism with God.

Romans 2:1-16

¹²For all who sin without the law will also perish without the law, and all who sin under the law will be judged by the law. ¹³For the hearers of the law are not righteous before God, but the doers of the law will be justified.

¹⁴So, when Gentiles, who do not by nature have the law, do what the law demands, they are a law to themselves even though they do not have the law.

Romans 2:1-16

¹⁵They show that the work of the law is written on their hearts. Their consciences confirm this. Their competing thoughts either accuse or even excuse them ¹⁶on the day when God judges what people have kept secret, according to my gospel through Christ Jesus.

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Romans 2:17–29

¹⁷Now if you call yourself a Jew, and rely on the law, and boast in God, ¹⁸and know his will, and approve the things that are superior, being instructed from the law,

List One

1. Call yourself a Jew
2. Rely on the law
3. Boast in God
4. Know his will
5. Approve of superior things
(b/c you know so much law)

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¹⁹and if you are convinced that you are a guide for the blind, a light to those in darkness, ²⁰an instructor of the ignorant, a teacher of the immature, having the embodiment of knowledge and truth in the law—

List Two

1. A guide to the blind
2. A light in the darkness
3. An instructor of the ignorant
4. A teacher of the immature
5. The embodiment of knowledge and truth

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²¹you then, who teach another, don't you teach yourself? You who preach, "You must not steal" – do you steal? ²²You who say, "You must not commit adultery" – do you commit adultery? You who detest idols, do you rob temples? ²³You who boast in the law, do you dishonor God by breaking the law?

List Three

1. Do you teach yourself?

2. Do you steal?

3. Do you commit adultery?

4. Do you rob temples?

5. Do you dishonor God?

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YES!

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²⁵Circumcision benefits you if you observe the law, but if you are a lawbreaker, your circumcision has become uncircumcision.

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²⁶So if an uncircumcised man keeps the law's requirements, will not his uncircumcision be counted as circumcision?

The Great Reversal

²⁷A man who is physically uncircumcised, but who keeps the law, will judge you who are a lawbreaker in spite of having the letter of the law and circumcision.

Romans 2:17–29

²⁸For a person is not a Jew who is one outwardly, and true circumcision is not something visible in the flesh.

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²⁹On the contrary, a person is a Jew who is one inwardly, and circumcision is of the heart – by the Spirit, not the letter. That person's praise is not from people but from God.

Deuteronomy 10:15-18

¹⁵Yet the Lord had his heart set on your ancestors and loved them. He chose their descendants after them – he chose you out of all the peoples, as it is today. ¹⁶Therefore, circumcise your hearts and don't be stiff-necked any longer. ¹⁷For the Lord your God is the God of gods and Lord of lords, the great, mighty, and awe-inspiring God, showing no partiality and taking no bribe. ¹⁸He executes justice for the fatherless and the widow, and loves the resident alien, giving him food and clothing.

Deuteronomy 30:5-6

⁵The Lord your God will bring you into the land your ancestors possessed, and you will take possession of it. He will cause you to prosper and multiply you more than he did your ancestors. ⁶The Lord your God will circumcise your heart and the hearts of your descendants, and you will love him with all your heart and all your soul so that you will live.

Jeremiah 4:3-4

³For this is what the Lord says to the men of Judah and Jerusalem:

Break up the unplowed ground;

do not sow among the thorns.

⁴Circumcise yourselves to the Lord;

remove the foreskin of your hearts,

men of Judah and residents of Jerusalem.

Otherwise, my wrath will break out like fire

and burn with no one to extinguish it

because of your evil deeds.

Jeremiah 9:23–26

²³“ This is what the Lord says:

The wise person should
not boast in his wisdom;
the strong should
not boast in his strength;
the wealthy should not
boast in his wealth.

²⁴But the one who boasts
should boast in this:

that he understands and
knows me—

that I am the Lord,
showing faithful love,
justice, and
righteousness on the earth,
for I delight in these things.

This is the Lord’s declaration.

Jeremiah 9:23–26

²⁵“ ‘Look, the days are coming – this is the Lord’s declaration – when I will punish all the circumcised yet uncircumcised: ²⁶Egypt, Judah, Edom, the Ammonites, Moab, and all the inhabitants of the desert who clip the hair on their temples. All these nations are uncircumcised, and the whole house of Israel is uncircumcised in heart.’ ”

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