



NO ONE MAKES THE CUT
GOSPEL LIFE: ROMANS SERIES: EPISODE 3 OF 16
Romans 3

ROMANS STRUCTURE REMINDER

Sin (1–3). Salvation (4–5) Sanctification (6–8)
Sovereignty (9–11) Service (12–16)

Summary

ROMANS 1 – THE WORLD’S PROBLEM: REBELLION AGAINST GOD

ROMANS 2 – THE RELIGIOUS PROBLEM: SELF-RIGHTEOUS

JUDGMENT

ROMANS 3 – THE HUMAN PROBLEM: EVERYONE GUILTY, ONLY

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Summary

ROMANS 1 – REJECTING GOD

ROMANS 2 – EXCUSING OURSELVES

ROMANS 3 – NEEDING A SAVIOR

SECTION 1: THE UNIVERSAL GUILT OF HUMANITY
(3:1–20)

A. Religious Advantage Does Not Equal Salvation (3:1–8)

1 “IS THERE ANY ADVANTAGE IN BEING A JEW?”

2 “DOES HUMAN UNFAITHFULNESS CANCEL GOD’S
FAITHFULNESS?” (v.3-4)

3 **TWISTED LOGIC PAUL REFUTES (v.5-8)**

B. The Total Depravity of Humanity (3:9–18)

There is no difference... all are under sin. 3:9

12 CHARGES FROM THE OLD TESTAMENT

CHARGE	DESCRIPTION	VERDICT
1	NONE RIGHTEOUS	GUILTY
2	NONE UNDERSTANDS	GUILTY
3	NONE SEEKS GOD	GUILTY
4	ALL TURNED ASIDE	GUILTY
5	ALL USELESS	GUILTY
6	NONE DOES GOOD	GUILTY
7	THROAT = OPEN GRAVE	GUILTY
8	TONGUE DECEIVES	GUILTY
9	LIPS POISON	GUILTY
10	MOUTH CURSES	GUILTY
11	FEET SHED BLOOD	GUILTY
12	NO FEAR OF GOD	GUILTY

C. The Purpose of the Law (3:19–20)

So that every mouth may be closed. 3:19

SECTION 2: THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD REVEALED
(3:21–26)

But now the righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the Law, although the Law and the Prophets bear witness to it.” 3:21

A. A Righteousness Apart from the Law (v.21)

“The righteousness of God has been manifested apart from the Law...”
“The Law and the Prophets bear witness to it.” 3:21

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B. Received Through Faith (v.22)

The righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. 3:22

For there is no distinction. 3:22

C. The Human Problem (v.23)

For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God. 3:23

D. The Divine Solution (v.24–25)

And are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus. 3:24

1 JUSTIFIED = DECLARED RIGHTEOUS.

2 REDEMPTION= A PRICE PAID TO SET CAPTIVES FREE.

3 PROPITIATION = WRATH SATISFIED

Whom God put forward as a propitiation by his blood, to be received by faith. 3:25

E. God Is Both Just and Justifier (v.26)

So that he might be just and the justifier of the one who has faith in Jesus. 3:26

SECTION 3: BOASTING ELIMINATED (3:27–31)

Then what becomes of our boasting? It is excluded. 3:27

For we hold that one is justified by faith apart from works of the law. 3:28

Do we then overthrow the law by this faith? By no means! On the contrary, we uphold the law. 3:31

SUMMARY:

**YOU ARE FAR MORE SINFUL THAN YOU THINK.
AND FAR MORE LOVED THAN YOU DESERVE.**

**YOU CANNOT EARN RIGHTEOUSNESS — BUT YOU CAN
RECEIVE IT.**

**ALL STAND GUILTY.
CHRIST STANDS SUFFICIENT.**

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