

(Romans 1:1) This letter is from Paul, a slave (bond-servant) of Christ Jesus, chosen by God to be an apostle and sent out to preach his Good News.

“Lord, make me a Good News person.”

- ✓ _____ of God – Condemnation of mankind
- ✓ _____ of God – Justification of the believer
- ✓ _____ of God – Sanctification of the believer
- ✓ _____ of God – Glorification of God

(Romans 2:1-3 ESV) 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. We know that the judgment of God rightly falls on those who practice such things. 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?

- **We _____ to make _____ judgements.**
 - **Judgements concerning _____.**
(Ephesians 5:11) Take no part in the worthless deeds of evil and darkness; instead, expose them.
 - **Judgements concerning a fellow _____.**
(1 Corinthians 5:12-13) It isn't my responsibility to judge outsiders, but it certainly is your responsibility to judge those inside the church who are sinning. God will judge those on the outside; but as the Scriptures say, “You must remove the evil person from among you.”
 - **Judgements concerning _____.**
(Romans 2:4-5 ESV) 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? 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.

(Romans 2:6-11 ESV) He will render to each one according to his works: to those who by patience in well-doing seek for glory and honor and immortality, he will give eternal life; but for those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, there will be wrath and fury. There will be tribulation and distress for every human being who does evil, the Jew first and also the Greek, but glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality.

1. **The Law is not to be done in moderation but must be done in _____.**

(Romans 2:16) And this is the message I proclaim—that the day is coming when God, through Christ Jesus, will judge everyone's secret life.

2. **Being _____ or _____ good will not save you. Being _____ will.**

(Romans 2:28-29) For you are not a true Jew just because you were born of Jewish parents or because you have gone through the ceremony of circumcision. No, a true Jew is one whose heart is right with God. And true circumcision is not merely obeying the letter of the law; rather, it is a change of heart produced by the Spirit. And a person with a changed heart seeks praise from God, not from people.

3. **Being in Christ is not a license _____.**

(Romans 3:5;8) “But,” some might say, “our sinfulness serves a good purpose, for it helps people see how righteous God is. And some people even slander us by claiming that we say, “The more we sin, the better it is!” Those who say such things deserve to be condemned.

4. **Not being in Christ, is a life _____ by sin.**

(Romans 3:19-20) Obviously, the law applies to those to whom it was given, for its purpose is to keep people from having excuses, and to show that the entire world is guilty before God. For no one can ever be made right with God by doing what the law commands. The law simply shows us how sinful we are.

5. **Being in Christ is an act _____, not any work of my own.**

(Romans 3:21-22) But now God has shown us a way to be made right with him without keeping the requirements of the law, as was promised in the writings of Moses and the prophets long ago. We are made right with God by placing our faith in Jesus Christ. And this is true for everyone who believes, no matter who we are.

The Good News is that God's righteousness has been revealed _____ in Christ Jesus.

(Romans 4:5-8) People are counted as righteous, not because of their work, but because of their faith in God who forgives sinners.