

Romans 2 Meditation Questions

Answer the following questions during your daily time in God's Word. These questions will help us focus on growing as disciples of Jesus through our study of the Bible:

- A. What did I learn from Jesus? What is He saying to me?
- B. How will I follow Jesus today?
- C. How can I become like Jesus through this study?

Romans 2:1-6

We are in BIG trouble if we judge others!

1 You, therefore, have no excuse, you who pass judgment on another. For on whatever grounds you judge the other, you are condemning yourself, because you who pass judgment do the same things. **2** And we know that God's judgment against those who do such things is based on truth. **3** So when you, O man, pass judgment on others, yet do the same things, do you think you will escape God's judgment?

Meditation Question: Give examples of how we do the same things we judge others for? How does that reflect our attitude towards God?

4 Or do you disregard the riches of His kindness, tolerance, and patience, not realizing that God's kindness leads you to repentance? **5** But because of your hard and unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of wrath, when God's righteous judgment will be revealed. **6** God "will repay each one according to his deeds."

Meditation Question: What does it mean to "despise the riches of his goodness, forbearance, and patience? Why do you think God is especially harsh on people who judge others?

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Romans 2:7-16

"It's not fair!"

7 To those who by perseverance in doing good seek glory, honor, and immortality, He will give eternal life. **8** But for those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow wickedness, there will be wrath and anger. **9** There will be trouble and distress for every human being who does evil, first for the Jew, then for the Greek; **10** but glory, honor, and peace for everyone who does good, first for the Jew, then for the Greek. **11** For God does not show favoritism.

Meditation Question: Summarize these verses in your own words. Is Paul teaching that we are saved by what we do? Explain your answer.

12 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. **13** For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but it is the doers of the law who will be declared righteous.

14 Indeed, when Gentiles, who do not have the law, do by nature what the law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the law. **15** So they show that the work of the law is written on their hearts, their consciences also bearing witness, and their thoughts either accusing or defending them **16** on the day when God will judge men's secrets through Christ Jesus, as proclaimed by my gospel.

Meditation Question: What do these verses teach about the judgment of God?

Meditation Question: How will Gentiles be judged if they don't have the written law of God?

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Romans 2:17-24

"I am right, and you are wrong!"

17 Now you, if you call yourself a Jew; if you rely on the law and boast in God; **18** if you know His will and approve of what is superior because you are instructed by the law; **19** if you are convinced that you are a guide for the blind, a light for those in darkness, **20** an instructor of the foolish, a teacher of infants, because you have in the law the embodiment of knowledge and truth— **21** you, then, who teach others, do you not teach yourself? You who preach against stealing, do you steal? **22** You who forbid adultery, do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples? **23** You who boast in the law, do you dishonor God by breaking the law? **24** As it is written: "God's name is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you."

Meditation Question: How did the Jews dishonor God? What was their root problem? How about us? Do we have the same problem?

Meditation Question: What is a "Self-justification mindset?"

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Romans 2:25-29

Outward Religion or Inner Reality

25 Circumcision has value if you observe the law, but if you break the law, your circumcision has become uncircumcision. **26** If a man who is not circumcised keeps the requirements of the law, will not his uncircumcision be regarded as circumcision? **27** The one who is physically uncircumcised yet keeps the law will condemn you who, even though you have the written code and circumcision, are a lawbreaker.

Meditation Question: [How do religious rites and ceremonies lose their meaning? Give examples.](#)

28 A man is not a Jew because he is one outwardly, nor is circumcision only outward and physical. **29** No, a man is a Jew because he is one inwardly, and circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the written code. Such a man's praise does not come from men, but from God.

Meditation Question: [What is the essence of a true Jew? What is circumcision of the heart?](#)