

THE BOOK OF ROMANS STUDY

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO GRACE. THE JUST SHALL LIVE BY FAITH
- THE FOUNDATION OF NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY.

Romans 2:1-11

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Who Do You Think You Are? – Part 3

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Romans 2:1-11

1 Therefore you are inexcusable, O man, whoever you are who judge, for in whatever you judge another you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things. 2 But we know that the judgment of God is according to truth against those who practice such things. 3 And do you think this, O man, you who judge those practicing such things, and doing the same, that you will escape the judgment of God? 4 Or do you despise the riches of His goodness, forbearance, and longsuffering, not knowing that the goodness of God leads you to repentance? 5 But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God. 6 Who *“will render to each one according to his deeds”*: 7 eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good seek for glory, honor, and immortality; 8 but to those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness - - indignation and wrath, 9 tribulation and anguish, on every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek; 10 but glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. 11 For there is no partiality with God.

Who Do You Think You Are?

1.) Compared to the Righteousness of God

vs. 1-2

Who Do You Think You Are?

2.) Compared to the Goodness of God

vs. 3-4

**Who Do You Think You Are
Compared To The Goodness Of God?**

2a.) We are thankful believers

vs. 4a

Verse 4a

4a Or do you despise the riches...

This “Or Do You” is in the negative sense. i.e.
“You had better be careful as to how you answer the next question.”

Despise grk kata'fro'neo; to think little of, to dismiss, to be disrespectful, to shrug off. to presume upon – the genesis or root of taking something or someone for granted.

(Often separation or death is the “genesis” or “result” in deep regret, remorse, depression and sadness when such love is no longer there.

One of the most painful emotions you will feel as a parent is an emotion that *you must bear silently* – and it is when your child becomes ungrateful. (Ingratitude). An unthankful or unappreciative child cuts deeply.

The reason being is love (your loving sacrifice)
is “thought little of”

Romans 1:21

Although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

Isaiah 51:12-13

“I, even I, am He who comforts you.

Who are you that you are afraid of man who dies And of the son of man who is made like grass, That you have forgotten the Lord your Maker, Who stretched out the heavens And laid the foundations of the earth, That you fear continually all day long because of the fury of the oppressor,

Jeremiah 8:9

These wise teachers will fall into the trap of their own foolishness, for they have rejected the word of the LORD. Are they so wise after all?

Riches grk: ploutos; wealth or riches in the extreme, excessive wealth, wealth as being a description of God's resources that are available to the believer in Christ

Be careful that you do not mistreat the unsearchable riches

Romans 11:33

Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!

Ephesians 3:8

To me, who am less than the least of all the saints, this grace was given, that I should preach among the Gentiles the unsearchable riches of Christ,

Being Thankful Believers

Philippians 4:6-7

Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with thanksgiving, let your requests be made known to God; 7 and the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding,

Here's a Pretty Powerful "Sin Guard" – "Under Armor" Verse

Colossians 3:17

And whatever you do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through Him.

It's pretty hard to rob a bank
if you're walking around in life "Giving thanks to God the Father"

Who Do You Think You Are Compared To The Goodness Of God?

2b.) We are grateful followers

vs. 4b

Verse 4b

4b of His goodness
forbearance, and longsuffering,

Goodness grk: chres'to'tes; the excellence of, the uprightness of, the good of, the kindness of = God

Luke 6:35-36

But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind (goodness) to the unthankful (graceless) and evil. 36 Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.

1 Chronicles 16:34

Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever.

Ezra 3:11

And they sang responsively, praising and giving thanks to the LORD: "For He is good, For His mercy endures forever toward Israel." Then all the people shouted with a great shout, when they praised the LORD, because the foundation of the house of the LORD was laid.

Psalm 23:6

Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me All the days of my life; And I will dwell in the house of the LORD Forever.

James 1:17

Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above, and comes down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow of turning.

Psalm 27:13

I would have lost heart, unless I had believed That I would see the goodness of the LORD In the land of the living.

Psalm 34:8

Oh, taste and see that the LORD is good; Blessed is the man who trusts in Him!

Psalm 103:13-14

As a father pities his children, So the LORD pities those who fear Him.
14 For He knows our frame; He remembers that we are dust.

1 John 3:20

For if our heart condemns us, God is greater than our heart, and knows all things.

**Are You an Ungrateful Person?
So Become a Grateful Follower Right Now!**

Mark 5:1-20

Then they came to the other side of the sea, to the country of the Gadarenes.

2 And when Jesus had come out of the boat, immediately there met Him out of the tombs a man with an unclean spirit, 3 who had his dwelling among the tombs; and no one could bind him, not even with chains, 4 because he had often been bound with shackles and chains. And the chains had been pulled apart by him, and the shackles broken in pieces; neither could anyone tame him. 5 And always, night and day, he was in the mountains and in the tombs, crying out and cutting himself with stones. :6 When he saw Jesus from afar, he ran and worshiped Him. 7 And he cried out with a loud voice and said, "What have I to do with You, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I implore You by God that You do not torment me." :8 Jesus said to him (it), "Come out of the man, unclean spirit!" 9 Then Jesus asked him, "What is your name?"

And he answered, saying, "My name is Legion; for we are many."

10 Also he begged Jesus earnestly that He would not send them out of the country. :11 Now a large herd of swine was feeding there near the mountains. 12 So all the demons begged Him, saying, "Send us to the swine, that we may enter them." 13 And at once Jesus gave them permission. Then the unclean spirits (devils / demons) went out and entered the swine (there were about two thousand); and the herd ran violently down the steep place into the sea, and drowned in the sea.... :18 And when He got into the boat, he who had been demon-possessed begged Him that he might be with Him. 19 However, Jesus did not permit him, but said to him, "Go home to your friends, and tell them what great things the Lord has done for you, and how He has had compassion on you." 20 And he departed and began to proclaim in Decapolis all that Jesus had done for him; and all marveled.

I would've loved seeing that guy run home back to Bet Shean...

"Wake up everybody – I've got something to say!"

Psalm 100:4

Enter into His gates (Decapolis) with thanksgiving,
And into His courts (His own home) with praise.
Be thankful to Him, and bless His name.

A FAMILY REUNION LIKE NO OTHER

“good grief dad, you scared the snot out of us. We all thought you were demon possessed, naked, running around eating bacon” – I was demon possessed, naked, running around eating bacon, until I met Jesus Christ – still eating bacon)

Forbearance grk: anoche; delaying, forbearance: —forbearance(2).

Forbearance / is also known in Scripture as patience
(It is God’s ability to put up with, It is - God waiting)

This Implies That We Take Advantage of Every Moment
“Is He Coming Today or is He Giving Us Today?”

Longsuffering grk: makrothumia; the putting up with, patiently waiting, always waiting.

Because the LORD JESUS CHRIST is longsuffering – we’re to be GRATEFUL.
This is a Discipline to be Practiced

Who Do You Think You Are Compared To The Goodness Of God?

2c.) We are humble witnesses

vs. 4c

Verse 4c

4c not knowing that the goodness of God
leads you to repentance?

Knowing grk: agnoeo;
(NOT KNOWING BY CHOICE) to be willfully ignorant, to not want to know,
ignoramus or agnostic, (to select ignorance for \$600) to not want to recognize,
not understand, unaware, uninformed.

Goodness grk: chrestos; being serviceable as in generous, good, standing at the ready to do
some good thing, some lavish or extravagant thing.

Luke 15:1-3

Then all the tax collectors and the sinners drew near to Him to hear Him. 2
And the Pharisees and scribes complained, saying, “This Man receives sinners
and eats with them.” 3 So He spoke this parable to them, saying...

At this - Jesus begins to speak to the crowds in
a flurry of parables. What's a parable? A parable is a message presented in brilliant Technicolor terms, easy to see and easy to understand because it intensifies something familiar to us.

Luke 15

the young man gathered all together, journeyed to a far country, and there wasted his possessions with prodigal (excessive, extravagant) living. :17 "But when he came to himself, he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! 18 I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, 19 and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants." ' :20 "And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. 21 And the son said to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.' :22 "But the father said to his servants, 'Bring out the best (excessive, extravagant) robe and put it on him, and put a (excessive, extravagant) ring on his hand and (excessive, extravagant) sandals on his feet. 23 And bring the fatted (excessive, extravagant) calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; 4 for this my son was dead and is (excessively, extravagantly) alive again; he was lost and is (excessively, extravagantly) found.'

*The Parable of the Prodigal Son Does Not Feature The Son.
The Parable is about the Prodigal Father.*

Leads grk: ago; bring as in to carry, to arrest, to capture or captivate.

**Moses is a great example of this,
being a humble witness...**

Numbers 12:3

Now the man Moses was very humble, more than all men
who were on the face of the earth.

So the Bible tells us that God said; "Moses, go tell the Israelites that I AM going to lead them out of Egypt. So go tell (preach, proclaim) this to them."

Moses was hesitant, and for good reason

Exodus 4:1

Then Moses answered and said, "But suppose they will not believe me or listen to my voice; suppose they say, 'The LORD has not appeared to you.' "

So God said:
The Staff to Snake / The Hand to Leprosy / The Water to Blood Thing

Exodus 4:10-12

Then Moses said to the LORD, "O my Lord, I am not eloquent, neither before nor since You have spoken to Your servant; but I am slow of speech and slow of tongue." (stammering, studder of speech) :11 So the LORD said to him, "Who has made man's mouth? Or who makes the mute, the deaf, the seeing, or the blind? Have not I, the LORD? 12 Now therefore, go, and I will be with your mouth and teach you what you shall say."

Repentance grk: metanoia; to change the mind or the course of thinking, to reverse course, to repent of the direction you're going by the way and what you think.

2 Peter 3:9

The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.

End of Study

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