

QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Tell your story. Describe a time in your life when someone unfairly judged something you said or did. How did you handle the situation? Did you try to talk to them about it?

2. Why do people often get satisfaction in pointing out the sins of other people?

3. Read the following passages and note the Bible says about being a judging others?
 - a) Leviticus 19:15
 - b) I Samuel 16:7
 - c) Proverbs 31:9
 - d) Matthew 7:1-5
 - e) Romans 14:4
 - f) Romans 14:13
 - g) Galatians 6:1

4. How is a guilty conscience an indicator that we know right from wrong?

5. What practical application are you going to make from this week's message? (*Share your decision with another person.*)
 - ☐ I am going to thank God for His kindness and patience in my life for those areas where I struggle to do what is right.
 - ☐ I am going to determine within my heart not to listen to gossip about other people... and not judge people by what I hear others say about them.
 - ☐ I am going to memorize Romans 14:13.

Cornerstone Church
Romans 2:1-16

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Study Series #005

The Guilt of the World in the Eyes of God ***Part 3: The Reason the Self-Righteous are Guilty***

I. Introduction

A. Guilty Conscience

B. Guilty as Charged

(See Romans 1:1-28; Romans 1:18)

C. Who is Paul Addressing?

(See Romans 1:17; Romans 2:11-16)

II. The Reason for Guilt

A. Guilt Based on Judging Others

(See Romans 2:1-2; Romans 1:32; II Samuel 12:1-14;
II Samuel 11:5-27; Psalm 32:4; Exodus 22:1; Leviticus 20:10;
Deuteronomy 22:22; Romans 2:3; Matthew 7:1-5;
Luke 6:41-42)

B. Guilt Based on Heart Attitude

(See Romans 2:4-8; Ecclesiastes 8:11 [CSB]; I Timothy 1:16; Jonah 1:15-16)

C. Guilt Based on Knowledge

(See Romans 2:9-11; Proverbs 13:15; Proverbs 14:22; Romans 2:12; Romans 1:18-32; Proverbs 24:12 [NLT]; Romans 2:13; James 1:22; Matthew 7:24; Luke 6:36)

D. Guilt Based on Conscience

(See Romans 2:14-16; John 7:17; Jeremiah 29:13; Romans 2:16; Acts 17:31)

III. Conclusion

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian, or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please see the pastor after the service and he or one of our church leaders will be glad to speak with you.

Passage of Study Romans 2:1-16

¹ Therefore you have no excuse, every one of you who passes judgment, for in that which you judge another, you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things. ² And we know that the judgment of God rightly falls upon those who practice such things. ³ But do you suppose this, O man, when you pass judgment on those who practice such things and do the same *yourself*, that you will escape the judgment of God?

⁴ Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance? ⁵ But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, ⁶ who will render to each person according to his deeds: ⁷ to those who by perseverance in doing good seek for glory and honor and immortality, eternal life; ⁸ but to those who are selfishly ambitious and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, wrath and indignation.

⁹ *There will be* tribulation and distress for every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek, ¹⁰ but glory and honor and peace to everyone who does good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹¹ For there is no partiality with God. ¹² For all who have sinned without the Law will also perish without the Law, and all who have sinned under the Law will be judged by the Law; ¹³ for *it is* not the hearers of the Law *who* are just before God, but the doers of the Law will be justified.

¹⁴ For when Gentiles who do not have the Law do instinctively the things of the Law, these, not having the Law, are a law to themselves, ¹⁵ in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them, ¹⁶ on the day when, according to my gospel, God will judge the secrets of men through Christ Jesus.

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