



## Romans 2:9-16

### God's Perfect Justice (Part 2)

**I.** **Introduction:** Paul told the Roman believers that the outwardly moral person is also under God's wrath, because they will be judged by His perfect justice.

**II.** **God's Perfect Justice (Rom 2:9-16).**

**A. His Judgment is Impartial (vv. 9-11).**

1. Paul proclaimed that God will judge humanity by their works, not based upon their ethnicity, and that Jew and Gentile alike will be condemned.

**B. His Judgment is Lawful (vv. 12-13).**

1. Paul states that God judges mankind whether by the law or without the law, because the Lord judges people based on whether they obey His law.

**C. His Judgment is Internal (vv. 14-16).**

1. Paul declared that sinners will face the wrath of God for their deeds, because God sees the secret places in the heart and judges people's inner motives.

**III. Conclusion:** Paul says that self-righteous sinners are condemned because God's law will judge them, and all people are guilty before Him.



## Questions About: God's Perfect Justice

1. How does Paul address those who are externally moral? (**Rom 2:1-16**) How will God judge religious people? (**Rom 2:12-16**) Why are they destined for God's wrath? (**Rom 1:18**)
  
2. How do we know that God's judgments are impartial? (**Rom 2:9-11**) How will God judge people by their works? Why do sinners experience tribulation and distress? (v. 9)
  
3. What is the life of a righteous person like? (**Rom 2:9-11**) How does honor and peace characterize their life? (v. 10) How do we know God judges Jews and Greeks fairly? (v. 11)
  
4. How do we know that God judges lawfully? (**Rom 2:12-13**) What happens to the person who sins without knowledge of God's law? (v. 12) What happens to those who know the law?
  
5. Who are the ones who are justified before God? (**Rom 2:12-13**) Why are hearers not justified by God? (v. 13) Are sinners justified by works? (**Eph 2:8-9**) What is Paul's point here?
  
6. How do we know that God judges people's hearts? (**Rom 2:14-16**) What does it prove when Gentiles instinctively follow God's laws? (vv. 14-15) What is the conscience? (v. 15)
  
7. Why does our conscience indict us? (**Rom 2:14-15**) Why does it alternate between accusing and defending us? (v. 15) Why can't we trust our hearts? (**Jer 17:9; Titus 1:15**)
  
8. Why should the moral person be worried? (**Rom 2:1-16**) Who will judge man in the end? (**Rom 2:16; 2 Tim 4:1**) When will He judge their secrets? (v. 16; **Rev 20:11-15**)

### Prayer

1. Pray that God would bring conviction of sin to moral people who need Christ's salvation.
2. Ask God to help you trust in His perfect justice and not to doubt His judgment.