



Romans 2:17-24

God Will Judge the Jews

- I. Introduction:** Paul told the Roman believers that the Jewish people are also under God's wrath, because they fail to keep God's Law perfectly.

- II. God Will Judge The Jews (Rom 2:17-24).**
 - A. Despite Their Ancestry (v. 17).**
 - 1. Paul proclaimed that God will judge those Jews who put their trust in their own ethnic identity, rather than in the person of Jesus Christ.

 - B. Despite Their Knowledge (vv. 18-20).**
 - 1. Paul states that God would judge the Israelites because they trusted in their knowledge of the Law to save them from His wrath.

 - C. Despite Their Preaching (vv. 21-22).**
 - 1. Paul declared that the Jews would be judged by God for their hypocritical actions because they did not follow the Law that they preached to others.

 - D. Despite Their Boasting (vv. 23-24).**
 - 1. Paul argued that Jews would be judged by God also because they bragged about possessing God's law, but dishonored Him by breaking it.

- III. Conclusion:** Paul says that at the judgment seat of God, self-righteous Israelites will be condemned because God's law will judge them for their hypocrisy.



Questions About: God Will Judge the Jews

1. How did Paul address the Jews in Romans? (**Rom 2:17-24**) What did Jews believe would save them from God's wrath? Why do sinners doubt that God will judge them?
2. How did the Jews rely on their ethnicity for salvation? (**Rom 2:17**) How did John the Baptist preach against this? (**Matt 3:9**) What advantages did Jews have? (**Rom 3:1-8; 9:4**)
3. Why did the Jews believe their ancestry would save them? (**Rom 2:17**) What did Jesus tell them about being descendants of Abraham? (**John 8:31-44**) Why did this anger them? (**v. 44**)
4. What did the Jews say they knew? (**Rom 2:18-20**) In what were they placing their confidence? (**v. 19**) Why did Jews think they were guides? (**v. 19**) Lights in the darkness? (**v. 19**)
5. How were Jews supposed to be a light to the Gentile nations? (**Isa 42:6**) What was their attitude toward them instead? (**Luke 18:9-14**) Why did Jews avoid contact with Gentiles?
6. What did the Jews fail to do for themselves? (**Rom 2:21-22**) How were they guilty of stealing? (**Matt 21:13; 23:14**) Committing adultery? (**Matt 5:31-32**) Robbing temples? (**Acts 19:37**)
7. How had the Jews dishonored God? (**Rom 2:23-24**) What did the Jews preach about God's Law? (**v. 23**) How does breaking the Law dishonor God? (**2 Sam 12:14**)
8. Who or what are you trusting in to save you? Are you trusting in Jesus Christ alone for your salvation? (**John 14:6; Acts 4:12**) How should Christians live so that we honor Christ?

Prayer

1. Pray that God would bring conviction of sin to religious people who need salvation.
2. Ask God to help you honor Him by the way that you live your life.