## Righteous Judgement for All 2021-11-14

Romans 2:6-16

He will render to each one according to his works: 7 to those who by patience in welldoing seek for glory and honor and immortality, he will give eternal life; 8 but for those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, there will be wrath and fury.

9 There will be tribulation and distress for every human being who does evil, the Jew first and also the Greek, 10 but glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. 11 For God shows no partiality.

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 righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified.

14 For when Gentiles, who do not have the law, by nature do what the law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the law. 15 They show that the work of the law is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness, and their conflicting thoughts accuse or even excuse them 16 on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

SHAQ.... "privilege" of being owner's child distorts their thinking/behavior.

- Being Jewish made you holy so no other standard of holiness to pursue.
- God will impartially judge all with perfect justice on basis of works. <u>Romans 2:6-7,</u> <u>10-11</u>

Emphasized absoluteness of God's judgment and deeds were criterion of that judgment.

- Good deed is not basis of salvation but evidence of genuine faith. Ephesians 2:8-10, John 5:28
  - $\circ$  saved by grace/faith/Jesus Christ alone but judged by objective works.
- Life transformed by saving grace desires/lives different from world. Holy!
  - not perfect obedience, no one can do, but direction (seek) of obedience which those born of God's Spirit will persevere in well-doing.
    - Seek to reflect God's glory, strive for honor of Jesus' approval, not world's, live with peace because eternal focus is enjoyment of God.
  - o don't always attain but seeking heart and brokenness when fail.

Others do not live for God glory but primarily for self. God is simply a means to an end. *Romans 2:8-9* 

- life characterized by not obey truth but unrighteousness and/or presuming on God's kindness.
  - May do good but impossible to do perfectly so God's eternal wrath.

- Any evil lifestyle results in tribulation (anguish, pressure) and distress (calamity, restriction, confinement....narrowness of a room):
  - Judge displayed in God's discipline towards Christian and wrath towards lost.

only 2 destinations after death: eternal life/wrath. Hebrews 9:27, Matthew 25:46

- Not reincarnation/annihilation. Eternal in Matthew 25:46 same word both times. God will impartially judge all with perfect justice on basis of works.
  - opposite justification by works....life of wickedness certainly not saved.
    - Works reveal if faith genuine or empty profession. <u>Romans 2:12-13</u>, <u>Matthew 7:21</u>

Hearing, intellectually knowing Law/Gospel does not justify anyone; must be doers.

 "Doer" des not mean sinlessly perfect but loves law and depends on God's help to live according to truth and trusts God for mercy when fail. 1 John 1:9, James 2:20-26

No good works sufficient to save but any sinful deeds sufficient to condemn.

• With or without Law all sin against what they know is right so all culpable for sinning and under just condemnation. *Romans 2:14-16* 

Jews judged on obey to objective Law. Gentiles according to what subjective know right and wrong

- without Law inner sense of right/wrong condemns. "Law written on hearts"
  - Guilty conscience/doing good evidence law written on hearts.
- All sin against what know is right so all guilty & need gospel.

God will impartially judge all with perfect justice on basis of works. <u>Romans 12:1-2</u>

- Not grade on curve...don't presume on God's kindness/grace, rather seek it.
  - only way produce truly righteous deeds is by possess righteousness of Jesus Christ by faith.
    - By God's grace able to pursue and persevere in good work/holiness.
  - God impartial judge sees record of life characterized by enduring good deeds and godliness/holy that's only possible through indwelling Holy Spirit.