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"Jews – Guilty Before God"

Romans 2:1-16

- I. God is an **objective** judge – vv. 1-5
  - A. Jewish **double** standards don't cut it with God – v. 1
  - B. God judges according to an objective reality – **truth** – v. 2
  - C. Jewish double standards are: - vv. 3-5
    - i. An unsuccessful attempt to **escape** God's judgment
    - ii. A **contempt** for God's kindness, which leads to repentance
    - iii. A proof of stubbornness and un-repentance, which store up God's **wrath**
- II. God will reward everyone according to their **works** – vv. 6-11
  - Chiastic structure:
    - A. God will judge everyone equitably v. 6
    - B. Those who do good will attain eternal life v. 7
    - C. Those who do evil will suffer wrath v. 8
    - C'. Wrath for those who do evil v. 9
    - B'. Glory for those who do good v. 10
    - A'. God judges impartially v. 11
- III. Possession of the law alone does not bring **righteousness** – vv. 12-16
  - A. Whether apart from the **law** or under the law, all are judged equally – v. 12
  - B. It is in **doing** the law, not merely hearing it, that righteousness is achieved – v. 13
  - C. Moral actions of those apart from the law – vv. 14-16
    - i. **Form** a law of its own
    - ii. **Prove** God's involvement via conscience
    - iii. Remind that God will judge the **secrets** of human hearts

**The Big Idea:**

Jews do not get special **standing** with God based mainly on their **possession** of the law.