

More Than Conquerors
A study of Romans - Lads to Leaders 2023-2024
May 21, 2023
"The Judgment of the Gospel: Romans 2:1-10"

Memory verses: 2:3-4. If you can't memorize them, read them every day for the next week.

The first paragraph of chapter two highlights God's judgment. One will "judge himself" if he practices what he condemns in others (ver. 1). God judges according to truth (the "gospel;" ver. 2). Hypocrites will not escape God's judgment (ver. 3). God's goodness should compel us to repent (ver. 4). With a hard and impenitent heart, we "treasure up" God's wrath against ourselves (ver. 5). God will judge according to our behavior (ver. 6). For those who seek glory, honor, and immortality, they will receive eternal life (ver. 7), glory, honor, and peace (ver. 10). For those who seek self and refuse to obey the Gospel, they will receive indignation and wrath (ver. 8), tribulation and anguish (ver. 9).

ADULTS:

Why does Paul begin this paragraph with "therefore?" What's the connection with the paragraph(s) preceding it?

Why does God shower "goodness" on people? What is He wanting from them (ver. 4)?

Why is God's judgment described as "righteous?"

For those who do good and seek God's glory and Christ's honor and immortality, what will they receive?

TEENS:

Why does Paul tell his reader that he is "inexcusable?" What passage from the sermon on the mount sounds similar to this verse?

What does it mean that God's judgment is "according to truth?"

Give some examples of God's "goodness, forbearance, and long-suffering," either from the Bible or your life:

What does a hard and impenitent heart have to do with the wrath of God?

What will be the "reward" for those who do not obey God's truth (the "gospel")?

YOUTH:

How many times in this paragraph are the words "judge" or "judgment" used?

What does it mean to be a "hypocrite?"

How will God judge us?

What will those who do evil receive from God?