

Romans — Part 3 Rendered Hearts

Let's go in our Bibles to Romans 2:1-29 (CSB)

1. God is the Judge; we are not.

Romans 2:2-3 (CSB) Now we know that *God's judgment* on those who do such things is *based on the truth*. Do you think—anyone of you who judges those who do such things yet do the same—that you will escape *God's judgment*?

- a. We will all experience God's *just judgment*.

Romans 2:6-8, 11 (CSB) He will repay each one according to his works: eternal life to those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honor, and immortality; but wrath and anger to those who are self-seeking and disobey the truth while obeying unrighteousness. ... For there is *no favoritism* with God.

2. Allow God's Spirit to transform our hearts.

Romans 2:28-29 (CSB) For a person is not a Jew who is one outwardly, *and true circumcision is not something visible in the flesh*. On the contrary, a person is a Jew who is one inwardly, and *circumcision is of the heart—by the Spirit, not the letter*. That person's praise is not from people but from God.

Joel 2:13 (CSB) *Tear your hearts*, not just your clothes, and *return to the LORD your God*. For he is gracious and compassionate, slow to anger, abounding in faithful love.