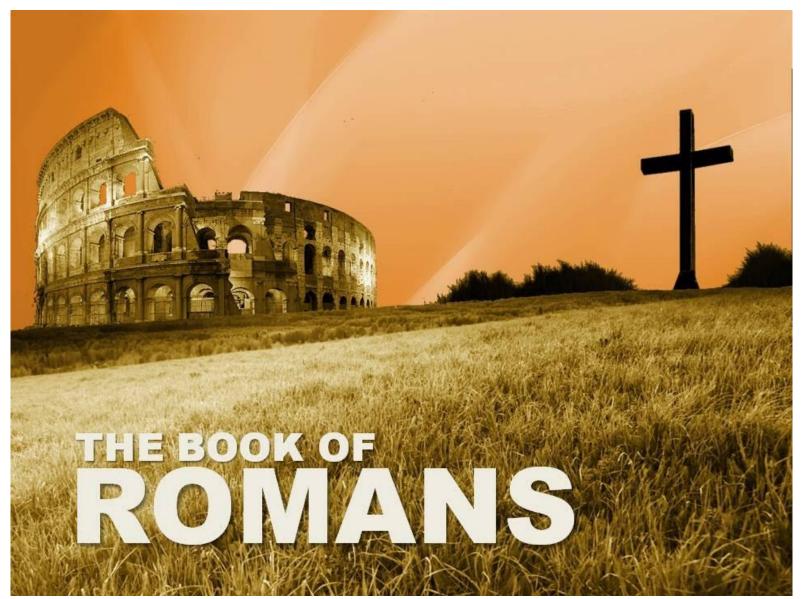
Rom 2:5-10 The Moral Man's Judgment





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^{*} condemn - to give judgment against, pass sentence upon

1 Therefore, you are without a defense, O man [moral man], everyone who judges, for in that in which you are judging another, yourself you are condemning for you who judge practice the same things [the things not proper v1].

- ² But we know that the judgment of God is according to truth [reality] against those who practice such things.
- ³ And do you reason thus, O man [moral man], who judges those who practice such things, and are doing the same things, that as for you, you will escape the judgment of God?
- ⁴ Or, the wealth of His kindness and forbearance and longsuffering are you treating with contempt, being ignorant [or unmindful] that the goodness of God is leading you to repentance? Wuest

Today's Verses

- ⁵ But because of your stubbornness and unrepentant heart you are storing up wrath for yourself in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God,
- ⁶ who [God] will render to each person according to his deeds:
- ⁷ to those [on one hand] who by perseverance in doing good seek for glory and honor and immortality, eternal life;
- ⁸ but to those [on the other hand] who are selfishly ambitious and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, wrath and indignation.
- ⁹ There will be tribulation and distress for every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek,
- but glory and honor and peace to everyone who does good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.

When, Where, and to Whom do the events in Romans 2:5 -10 occur?



- Some say these events are hypothetical.
- Do these events [if real] occur in the church age, tribulation, or at the Great White Throne?
- Are these events for believers, unbelievers or both?
- When is the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God?
- When and to whom does God judge according to a man's deeds [works]?
- Contrast: Those who persevere in doing good vs. those who are selfishly ambitious and do not obey the truth.
- Contrast: Tribulation and distress for every soul of man who does evil vs. glory and honor and peace to everyone who does good.

⁵ But according to your obstinate and unrepentant heart you are storing up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God.

Wuest

according to your obstinate [hardness, stubbornness] and unrepentant [not changing] heart

- heart kardia stands for man's entire mental and moral activity used in both negative & positive sense
- Jer. 17:9 The <u>heart</u> is deceitful above all things, and desperately wicked: who can know it?
- The unrepentant heart speaks of an <u>unbeliever</u>.
- Verse 4 says he was treating with contempt the kindness of God
- God's kindness is intended to give us time to change our minds [repentance] - 2 Peter 3:9

 McCalley

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 - When man does not respond to the kindness of God, the following is going to happen:
 - you are storing up thēsaurízō to gather and lay up, to heap up, store up
 - present tense continuous action, it's a reality
 for yourself a personal laying up [the unbeliever]
 - Next we are told what you are storing up
 - wrath orge God's righteous attitude towards sin with a view toward judgment
 - It's His settled anger out from His righteousness. Molloy

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- Starting with verse 5b, Paul is describing an event with two aspects:
 - The day of wrath
 - The revelation of the righteous judgment of God

This day of wrath is foretold both in the Old & New Testament*

- It is a future day
- It involves both Jews and Gentiles
- It is characterized by a day of God's judgment
 - On earth
 - On unbelievers

The Day of Wrath

Job 21:30 (Darby) That the wicked is reserved for the day of calamity? They are led forth to the day of wrath.

Ezekiel 7:19 (NASB) They will fling their silver into the streets and their gold will become an abhorrent thing; their silver and their gold will not be able to deliver them in the day of the wrath of the LORD.

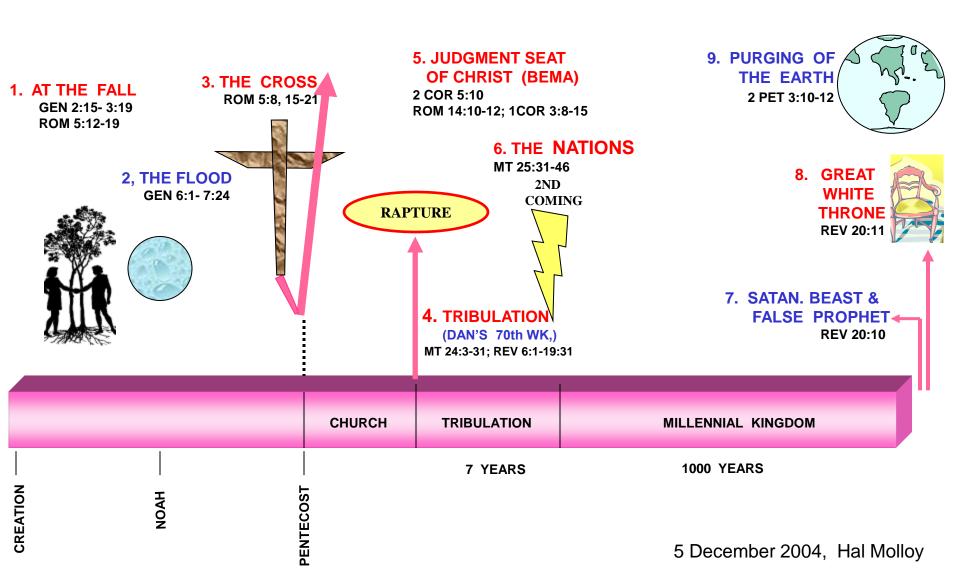
Zephaniah 1:15 (NASB) A <u>day of wrath is that day</u>, A day of trouble and distress, A day of destruction and desolation, A day of darkness and gloom, A day of clouds and thick darkness.

Zephaniah 1:18 (NASB) Neither their silver nor their gold will be able to deliver them on the day of the LORD'S wrath; And all the earth will be devoured In the fire of His jealousy.

Matthew 3:7 (NASB) But when he [John the Baptist] saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming for baptism, he said to them, "You brood of vipers, who warned you to flee from the wrath to come?"



MAJOR JUDGMENTS BY GOD



Observations:*

- It doesn't appear that the Great White Throne Judgment is referenced as the "day of wrath" in either the OT or NT.
- But it does appear that the "day of wrath" correlates with the Tribulation period & the judgment of the nations at Christ's 2nd Coming for the following reasons:
- The Tribulation period and God's wrath:
- For the great day of his wrath is come; and who shall be able to stand?- Rev 6:17
- The Church is not subject to God's wrath in the Tribulation.
- For God <u>has not</u> destined us for <u>wrath</u>, but for obtaining salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. - 1 Thess 5:9
- Much more then, being now justified by his blood, we shall be saved from wrath through him. - Rom 5:9

6 who will render to each person according to his deeds "" PC

- Psalm 62:12 And lovingkindness is Yours, O Lord,
 For You recompense a man <u>according to his work</u>.
- So the basis of judgment will be according to his deeds [works].
- So how does God judge in the church age?
- Romans 8:1 Therefore there is now <u>no condemnation</u> for those who are in Christ Jesus.
- Isaiah 53:6 All of us like sheep have gone astray, Each of us has turned to his own way; But the LORD has caused the iniquity of us all to fall on Him.
- Rom 4:5 But to the one who does not work, but believes in Him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is credited as righteousness.

^{6b} according to his deeds

⁷ to those [on one hand] who by perseverance in doing good seek for glory and honor and immortality, eternal life.

by – *kata* – according to perseverance - *hypomonē* – lit: an abiding under rendered patience or endurance

- It is not our endurance but His endurance
 in doing good [seek to be at rest in what you have]
- ⁸ but to those [on the other hand] who are selfishly ambitious and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, wrath and indignation

do not obey [non-persuadable with respect to] the truth vs.

but obey [persuadable with respect to] unrighteousness

Matt. 25:31-46

- ³¹ "But when the Son of Man comes in His glory, and all the angels with Him, then He will sit on His glorious throne.
- ³² "All the nations will be gathered before Him; and He will separate them from one another, as the shepherd separates the sheep from the goats;
- ³³ and He will put the sheep on His right, and the goats on the left.
- ³⁴ "Then the King will say to those on His right, 'Come, you who are blessed of My Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world.
- ⁴⁰ "The King will answer and say to them [on His right], 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that <u>you did it to one of these brothers of Mine</u>, even the least of them, you did it to Me.'
- ⁴¹ "Then He will also say to those on His left, 'Depart from Me, accursed ones, into the eternal fire which has been prepared for the devil and his angels;
- ⁴⁵ "Then He will answer them [on His left], 'Truly I say to you, to the extent that you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to Me.'
- ⁴⁶ "These [on His left] will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous [on His right] into eternal life.

Judgment of the Nations

(Matt. 25:31-46)

- Time: Immediately after Tribulation/2nd Advent
- Place: On earth
- Subjects: The living (all nations)
- Basis: Acceptance / Rejection of Christ
 - a. Believers works out from faith by accepting Christ's messengers
 - b. Unbelievers no works out from faith by rejecting Christ's messengers
- Condition: Separation is made & judgment given before the reason is stated
- Judge: Son of Man (Lord Jesus Christ)
- Results: a. Believers to Kingdom & to eternal life
 b. Unbelievers to lake of fire

- ⁹ There will be tribulation and distress [upon] for every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek, but glory and honor and peace to everyone who does good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.
- So the contrast is between those doing [working] evil and those doing [working] good.
- working evil lit: work out to a finish evil
- working good lit: produce or perform good
- The judgment of nations has both the working evil and working good of the nations – example below:
- You did it to one of these brothers of Mine vs. you <u>did not</u> do it to one of the least of these.
- God will deal with the Jew first because his privilege was greater. He received special revelation [Old Testament] as well as natural revelation.

What is Paul's Perspective in Chp. 2:1-16

- Paul expected the imminent return of Jesus Christ at the rapture* – 1 Thess. 4:13-18 – uses we 6 times
- 1 Cor 15:51 Behold, I tell you a mystery; we will not all sleep, but we will all be changed, ⁵² in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet; for the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised imperishable, and we will be changed.
- He knew that the Tribulation Period ("the day of wrath") would immediately follow the rapture."
- So this is what Paul appears to be stating in Rom 2:5.*
- In Rom 2:6-10 he is apparently describing the judgment of the Gentile nations.
- In Rom 2:11-16 he will continue this discussion and relate it to being judged by any law system.

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