Journeying Through the Book of Romans

Season 2: A License to Sin?

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Scripture

- **Romans 2:1-16** 
  Therefore, you have no excuse, everyone of you who passes judgement, for in that which you judge one another, you condemn yourself; for you who judge practice the same things. And we know that the judgement of God rightly falls upon those who practice such things. But do you suppose this, O man, when you pass judgement on those who practice such things and do the same yourself, that you will escape the judgement of God? Or do you think lightly of the riches of His kindness and tolerance and patience, not knowing that the kindness of God leads you to repentance? 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 judgement of God, who WILL RENDER TO EACH PERSON ACCORDING TO HIS DEEDS: to those who by perseverance in doing good seek for glory and honor and immortality, eternal life; but to those who are selfishly ambitious and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, wrath, and indignation. 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. For there is no partiality with God. 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; for it is not the hearers of the Law who are just before God, but the doers of the Law will be justified. For when Gentiles who do not have the Law do instinctively the things of the Law, these, not having the Law, are a law to themselves, in that they show the work of the Law written in their hearts, their conscience bearing witness and their thoughts alternately accusing or else defending them on the day when, according to my gospel, God will judge the secrets of men through Christ Jesus.

- **Matthew 8:20; 16:24** 
  Jesus said to him, “The foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay His head.”
  “,,if anyone wishes to come after Me, he must deny himself, and take up his cross and Follow Me.”
Other Scriptures

- Matthew 7:1
- 1 John 2:16
- Luke 22:42

Main Points

- If we practice obedience and strive to obey, we’ll be rewarded when He returns.
- We need to stop thinking that we can be fulfilled by the things of this world.
- True worship is obedience.
- Times are always changing; What matters is what the eternal Word of God says.
- The work of the Holy Spirit convicts us of sin so we can be cleansed.

Discussion Questions

1. What does it mean to think one has “a license to sin”?

2. What is the kindness of God, extended in gentleness toward our sin, designed to do?

3. What does Paul remind us will happen when Jesus returns? How should this temper how we live?

4. What is the error that New Age philosophy has brought to the church? Rabbi called it looking for a “now” experience. Why did he conclude that this is an error?

5. True worship is ________________. Write about what this means.

6. How is it that Jews and Gentiles both are guilty of breaking the law? Explain. What is the point Paul is driving us to about Jesus? Why did Jesus come?