

Suggested Discussion Questions for 1/23/2022
Are We Accountable to God? Pt 2 (Romans 2:1-29)

1. Why is it so much easier to judge others and excuse ourselves for the same thing?
2. Looking at Romans 2, how would you state the issues Paul says makes mankind accountable to God? What words in the text lead you to your conclusion?
3. If God doesn't care enough about His own character to hold His creation accountable, what does that tell us about God? What does it tell us about the meaning of a person's life?
4. When Paul states God's kindness leads to repentance, his point is toward a person apart from God who misapplies God's patience in delaying wrath. But believers can also abuse God's kindness that continues to lead us to repentance. How do you see this in life? Do you sense God drawing you to repent of anything?
5. What are your thoughts and responses to the statement that hard, impenitent hearts store up wrath for themselves? For the believer, what do we have the opportunity to store up instead?
6. Snatch verses 6-13 out of context and you could make a case that salvation is by works. But Paul wrote a letter. He expected his readers to read the whole thing. Look ahead into the balance of the book. What verses/passages make it clear this is not Paul's view of salvation?
7. Look up some other passages in Scripture that speak to the conscience. How do they affirm and expand on what Paul says in verse 15.
8. People have characterized the inner moral monitor we have as an angel on one shoulder and a devil on the other. In what ways is this notion biblical or unbiblical?
9. What do you learn about God's future judgment in this text? How does it impact you?
10. How would you summarize this chapter fulfilling Paul's intention to show that God's wrath is a just expression of His righteousness revealed in the gospel and man's accountability to God?