

Mt. Lebanon Church/ Big Isaac Community Church

Sunday School Lesson

4.26.2026

Please look up and read all verses in their entirety. I have only written partial verses.

Make your own notes, write down other scriptures that you run across while studying, write down questions that you may have or comments as well. Allow the Holy Spirit to reveal to you what he would have you to see through the study of God's word.

Gods Righteous Judgement

Romans 2: 1 - 16

As believers, it is meaningful for us to live with humility, for we know that our actions are always being evaluated by the one who uses his judgement to expose the truth within us, for it brings unto us the awareness that sin will not go unpunished. For this reason, we know, that without accepting Christ, we will face judgement based upon his word, for his word is the ultimate standard for our life. Therefore, his judgment is according to the facts of his promises and not based upon false pretenses or deception. His divine truth is the absolute reality of the genuine condition of our heart and is not derived from our outward appearance or personal excuses. As believers, we will give an account of ourselves before the Lord, but this judgement does not determine our salvation, for our salvation is by faith believing in Christ alone. God evaluates the secrets of the heart of every person, upholding the unchanging standard of his truth. Therefore, Gods shows no favoritism, and nothing is overlooked.

2 Corinthians 5: 10,....for we must all appear before the judgement seat of Christ, that everyone may receive the things done in the body, according to that he hath done, whether it be good or bad....

As believers, we have transitioned from an external temporary condemnation to an eternal, permanent transformation where we are renewed daily by the indwelling Holy Spirit. This new covenant which comes by the spirit, brings us into the image and likeness of Christ. Gods' judgement is loving and is intended to restore our life in him. This refining process exposes sin, and provides correction, shifting our focus from self to God, and through conviction, in humility it helps us to recognize our limitations, and shows unto us our hidden thoughts and intentions, strengthening our ability to live according to Gods will, which is interpreted unto us as a sign of his great love.

Romans 2: 1 – 2,....thou art inexcusable, O man,....where in thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself, for thou that judgest doest the same thing....but we are sure that the judgement of God is according to truth against them that commit such things....

Gods' judgement is based upon the reality of his truth, and not outward appearances, for his judgment reveals our inner flaws. Therefore, when we judge others for sins that we think that they are committing based upon outward appearances, all the while committing actions of the same, we condemn ourselves. Gods' judgement is meant to lead to repentance, whereas our judgement of others only provides a false sense of security, which only allows sin to continue. The Holy Spirit, which dwells within us encourages repentance over accusation, condemning judgmental, self-righteous attitudes, inspiring us to address our own sins first. Therefore, we are called to examine ourselves against the absolute standard of true righteousness that can only come from a heart that is aligned with his will, and not by comparing ourselves to others.

Romans 2: 3 – 4,....thinkest thou this, O man, that judgest them....and doest the same....that thou shalt escape the judgement of God?....not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?....

Regardless of who we are, everyman is judged according to their deeds, for Gods judgement is based upon the reality of the promises and commandments of his word, rather than relying on religious status or rituals, for some assume that they are safe from judgement due to religious privileges, because many mistake Gods mercy and grace for approval of a worldly lifestyle, rather than using it as an opportunity for genuine repentance.

Romans 2: 5 – 11,....who will render to everyman according to his deeds....to them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life....but unto them that....do not obey the truth....indignation and wrath, tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man doeth evil....but glory, honour, and peace to every man that worketh good....for there is no respect of persons with God....

Salvation, God gives through grace, to those who by faith, believe in the work of his Son, Christ Jesus. Our works than demonstrate true faith and determines eternal rewards. For this reason, Gods final judgement is based upon the evidence of a person's deeds. This does not mean that salvation is earned, but that our work serves as evidence of salvation. So, we understand that our actions are a direct reflection of our faith. Now, God is an impartial judge and will render consequences for every action revealed by those who reject the truth in opposition to him. But true faith will produce a life of obedience and righteousness. Therefore, there are rewards for a life that is committed to good work, because a life that is committed to good work is a life that works good. So, Gods judgement is fair and just, holding all of mankind to the same standard of sin and grace. The same salvation offered in Christ is available to all of humanity without partiality. Gods' judgement is consistent and righteous, and is based upon truth, for everyone needs his grace, and he gives to all equally.

Romans 2: 12 – 13,....as many as have sinned without the law, shall also perish without the law, and as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law....not the hearers of the law are just before God, but the doers of the law shall be justified....

Knowing the truth of Gods word is insufficient without applying it, for true righteousness requires obedience. The word of truth points to our need for Christ, and justification declares our righteousness. Our obedience to Gods word is the result and proof of our genuine, living faith. Therefore, merely reading and studying the promises and commandments of his word does not make us right with him, we must practice the truth of his commandments.

James 1: 22,....but be ye doers of the word, and not hearers only....

Romans 2: 14 – 16,....by nature the things contained in the law....are a law unto themselves....which shew the work of the law written in their hearts....in the day when God shall judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ according to my gospel....

Nothing concealed will remain unknown, and this judgement will be executed through Christ Jesus. No secret is hidden from God, and his judgement will cover every thought, every motive, and every deed.

Luke 8: 17,....for nothing is secret, that shall not be made manifest, neither anything hid, that shall not be known....

Matthew 20: 26,....there is nothing covered, that shall not be revealed, and hid that shall not be known....

God sees all and his truth will prevail, and his judgement will hold all men accountable, and justice will be served. Therefore, as believers, we are encouraged to live our life knowing that our actions and our worldly desires cannot remain hidden, so let us walk uprightly, steadfast, unmovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, forasmuch as ye know your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

Let us Pray.

If anyone has any questions, comments or would just like to discuss any of the scriptures, feel free to call, text or email me. Keep praying for each other and all the God lays upon your heart. Hope to see everyone soon. God Bless.

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