

Not One!

Romans 3:9 – 31

⁹What shall we conclude then? Are we any better? Not at all! We have already made the charge that Jews and Gentiles alike are all under sin.

Romans 3:9

¹⁰As it is written...

Romans 3:10

"There is no one righteous, not even one; ¹¹there is no one who understands, no one who seeks God. ¹²All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one."

Romans 3:10b-12

¹³"Their throats are open graves; their tongues practice deceit."

Romans 3:13a

"The poison of vipers is on their lips."

Romans 3:13b

14"Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness."

Romans 3:14

15"Their feet are swift to shed blood; 16ruin and misery mark their ways, 17and the way of peace they do not know."

Romans 3:15-17

18"There is no fear of God before their eyes."

Romans 3:18

¹⁹Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced and the whole world held accountable to God.

Romans 3:19

²⁰Therefore no one will be declared righteous in his sight by observing the law; rather, through the law we become conscious of sin.

Romans 3:19

Purpose of...

...the Law

- Revealed to the Jews
- To be revealed to the world
- To convict them of their sin

²¹But now a righteousness from God, apart from law, has been made known, to which the Law and the Prophets testify.

Romans 3:21

²² This righteousness from God comes through faith in Jesus Christ to all who believe.

Romans 3:22

Purpose of...

...the Law	...this Righteousness
• Be revealed to the Jews	• Be revealed to the Jews
• To be revealed to the world	• To be revealed to the world
• To convict them of their sin	• To forgive them of their sin

There is no difference, ²³for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God, ²⁴and are justified freely by his grace through the redemption that came by Christ Jesus.

Romans 3:22b-24

²⁵God presented him as a sacrifice of atonement, through faith in his blood. He did this to demonstrate his justice, because in his forbearance he had left the sins committed beforehand unpunished—

²⁶he did it to demonstrate his justice at the present time, so as to be just and the one who justifies those who have faith in Jesus.

Romans 3:25-26

²⁷Where, then, is boasting? It is excluded. On what principle? On that of observing the law? No, but on that of faith. ²⁸For we maintain that a man is justified by faith apart from observing the law.

Romans 3:27-28

²⁹Is God the God of Jews only? Is he not the God of Gentiles too? Yes, of Gentiles too, ³⁰since there is only one God, who will justify the circumcised by faith and the uncircumcised through that same faith.

Romans 3:29-30

³¹Do we, then, nullify the law by this faith? Not at all! Rather, we uphold the law.

Romans 3:31

From Sin to Righteousness

- Justified
- Redeemed
- Atoned for
- Boasting
- Uphold the Law
- Legally tried and found guilty but not responsible...
- Ransom paid by another...
- To make amends or to appease (past, present & future...)
- Thankful for forgiveness
- Righteous living

So why do I do good?

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So why do good?

- Jewish Law
- Christian Law
- God’s Law
- Jewish Messiah
- Christian God
- World’s Savior

Questions?

Discussion Questions

- When you see another sinning – are you more likely to judge them or see your own sin in them? Why?
- When you think of what Jesus’ death means for you – are you more likely to feel like you need to do good to “earn” it or desire to do good because of it? Why?
