



A Call To True Repentance and Holy Living

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Introduction

Beloved, the Apostle Paul, writing under divine inspiration, reminds both Jews and Gentiles that **God’s judgement is righteous, impartial, and according to truth**. In this passage, he exposes the hypocrisy of those who condemn others while doing the same sins themselves. In our time, this message rings louder than ever — for both Christians and non-Christians alike.

If we desire to live **victorious Christian lives** and **make heaven at last**, we must walk in **repentance, obedience, humility, and truth**, knowing that “God is no respecter of persons” (Acts 10:34). Let’s consider this study in seven parts:

1. Acknowledge That No One Is Without Excuse

Paul begins by saying,

“Therefore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest...” (Romans 2:1).

Every man and woman, whether religious or irreligious, has knowledge of right and wrong — through **conscience** and **the Word of God**. Hypocrisy blinds us to our own sin. Jesus warned in **Matthew 7:3-5**:

“And why beholdest thou the mote that is in thy brother’s eye, but considerest not the beam that is in thine own eye? Or how wilt thou say to thy brother, Let me pull out the mote out of thine eye; and, behold, a beam is in thine own eye? Thou hypocrite, first cast out the beam out of thine own eye; and then shalt thou see clearly to cast out the mote out of thy brother’s eye.”

For both Christian and non-Christian, victory begins with **honesty before God** — admitting our faults and forsaking self-righteousness.

“For there is no respect of persons with God” (Romans 2:11).



2. Remember That God's Judgement Is According to Truth

Paul declares,

"But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things." (Romans 2:2)

God's standard is not man's opinion, not church culture, nor social trends — but **His eternal truth**. Jesus said in **John 17:17**,

"Sanctify them through thy truth: thy word is truth."

Today's world often calls evil good and good evil, but God's truth does not change. As Isaiah 5:20 warns:

"Woe unto them that call evil good, and good evil; that put darkness for light, and light for darkness."

To live victoriously, believers must measure their lives **by the Word**, not by the world.

3. Do Not Take God's Goodness for Granted

Verse 4 says,

"Or despisest thou the riches of his goodness and forbearance and longsuffering; not knowing that the goodness of God leadeth thee to repentance?"

God's mercy is not permission to sin but an opportunity to repent. Many presume upon His patience, forgetting that it is given so we may turn from wickedness.

2 Peter 3:9 reminds us:

"The Lord is not slack concerning his promise, as some men count slackness; but is longsuffering to us-ward, not willing that any should perish, but that all should come to repentance."

True victory begins at **the altar of repentance**. Repentance is not sorrow alone but **a turning away from sin and a turning towards God**.

4. God Will Render to Every Man According to His Deeds

Verse 6 declares:

"Who will render to every man according to his deeds."

This truth applies universally. Salvation is by grace through faith (Ephesians 2:8–9), yet **our works prove the reality of our faith**.

James 2:17 says:

"Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead, being alone."

The victorious Christian life is one of **consistent obedience, service, and righteous living** — not mere profession. Jesus said in **Matthew 7:21**:



"Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven."

5. Seek for Glory, Honour, and Immortality

Verse 7 continues:

"To them who by patient continuance in well doing seek for glory and honour and immortality, eternal life."

A victorious believer endures patiently, doing good even when it costs. As **Galatians 6:9** encourages:

"And let us not be weary in well doing: for in due season we shall reap, if we faint not."

Our goal is not earthly applause but **eternal glory**. Paul testified in **2 Timothy 4:7–8**:

"I have fought a good fight, I have finished my course, I have kept the faith: Henceforth there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, shall give me at that day: and not to me only, but unto all them also that love his appearing."

6. Warning to the Disobedient

Paul warns in verses 8–9:

"But unto them that are **contentious**, and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, indignation and wrath, Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile."

Many today reject biblical truth, preferring their own way. Yet God's Word stands sure:

"For the wages of sin is death; but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord." (Romans 6:23)

Unrepentant sin brings wrath, no matter one's background or title. Let every Christian fear God and walk humbly.

7. God Shows No Favouritism

Finally, verse 11 concludes:

"For there is no respect of persons with God."

Whether bishop or beggar, preacher or sinner — God judges all by the same standard. **Acts 10:34–35** confirms:

"Then Peter opened his mouth, and said, Of a truth I perceive that God is no respecter of persons: But in every nation he that feareth him, and worketh righteousness, is accepted with him."

Victory in Christ is not inherited; it is **lived out daily** through faith, obedience, and holiness.



Conclusion

Beloved, the righteous judgement of God calls every soul to self-examination. Let us not be hearers only, but doers of the Word. Let us cast off hypocrisy, embrace repentance, and walk in truth.

As Jesus said in **Revelation 22:12**:

“And, behold, I come quickly; and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be.”

To live victoriously and make heaven at last, we must:

- Acknowledge our sin and repent sincerely.
- Live by God’s truth, not the world’s opinions.
- Continue steadfastly in doing good.
- Walk humbly, remembering that God judges impartially.

May we all stand unashamed before His righteous throne on that day.

Closing Prayer

O Lord, search our hearts and reveal every hidden sin. Grant us grace to walk in truth, repentance, and holiness. Help us to live victoriously, guided by Thy Word and empowered by Thy Spirit, that we may hear Thee say, “Well done, thou good and faithful servant.” In Jesus’ name, Amen.