

Outline - Sunday, December 7, 2014

Sermon Title: The Gospel To The Romans: "I Do Not Approve of This Message"

Scripture Reading: Romans 1:31-32; 2:1-15

1. The practice and approval of sin by the religious: 1:31; 2:1-3

- a. Hypocrisy: Mt 23:3, 13-14, 29 (8x)(Stoics/Philosophers—Jews) Self-righteous
- b. We are still on the wrong team: Luke 11:23; 9:50
- c. We are not walking in love or light: 1 John 1:6; 2:4 (stumbling)
- d. Strengthens the hands of the rebel: Mt 23:15/Ezekiel 13:22

2. Mere judging does not deliver from the judgment: 2:1-3

- a. You do exactly the same: Rom 2:1d, 3c, 13/Luke 11:28
- b. You must first obey gospel: Mt 7:1-5
- c. Get right/help others get right: 2 Cor 10:6/Ps 51:12-17/Luke 22:32

3. The objective judgment of the believer is scripture: vs 2/ Dan 10:21

- a. God has Judged—by decree: Gen 2:17/Rom 3:23/Ezek 18:1-2
- b. His judgment is <u>always right</u>: Gen 6:5, 7-13; 19:25; 15:16

4. God's saving ways: vs 4

- a. Despise—to look down on: Mt 18:10/1 Tim 4:12/Luke 18:9
- b. Rich/Goodness: Ex 33:19; 34:6 (abundant goodness)
- c. Forbearance = His holding back: Rev 7:1-3
- d. Patience = slow building wrath (macro/thumia): 2 Pet 3:9
- e. Ask an honest sinner: Luke 23:40-42 (no more suppression)

5. The Outbursting of God's wrath: vs 5

- a. Hardened/sclerosis—unrepentant—(no turning): 2 Tim 2:24
- b. Building the account—storing up—God's anger
- c. The day of hostile payment: vs 6/Heb 2:2/Rev 22:12