

Religious Die-hards

Rom. 3:1-8

1. God's _____ is a tremendous blessing. (vv. 1-2)

The Jews took Paul's debunking of their religion _____.

But chief of all those _____ is the Word of God.

But Paul uses the word to describe the very _____ of God, as opposed to the whole message of God.

Yet people today not only neglect the Bible, they _____ it.

2. God will _____ keep His promises. (vv. 3-4)

Paul next anticipates that someone might think God is _____ His promises if He doesn't save the Jews.

God never promised anyone unconditional salvation based on anything else but _____ in His promises.

The role of the Law was _____ to save men. It was to convince us of our sin and make us long for the promised Redeemer.

Believing in God's promises was, and is, and it will always be the _____ way to be saved.

3. You can't make _____ with God. (vv. 5-8)

First, God isn't fair to judge us when our sin just _____ His righteousness. (v. 5)

Second, but very similar, if me being a liar highlights the truth of God and gives Him more _____, why am I being judged? (v. 7)

You can't serve a holy and righteous God by doing _____ deeds. He knows evil when He sees it!

If there's anything that our _____ is good at, it's making excuses.

God wants us to take _____ for our sins. He wants us to confess and repent, receive His forgiveness and His power, and do what Jesus would do instead.

Calvary Connection Group
Leader's Guide for the week of Feb. 9, 2020

Getting to Know Me

- What is one thing you've never done that you'd like to do? Why?
- What is one thing you've done that you never want to do again? Why?

Into the Bible

- What one thing stood out to you in this week's sermon as something important to understand and apply?
- What is your responsibility, as a believer in Christ, when it comes to the Word of God? (Hint: See Deut. 6:1-6; 2 Tim. 3:16-17)
- Once we have received the promises of God unto salvation, what are we supposed to do then? (Hint: See Eph. 4:14-15; Phil. 2:12; 2 Pet. 1:4-8)
- Paul says twice in this passage, "May it never be!" That's his way of saying, "No way, Jose!" Why is it impossible for God to lie (v. 4) and impossible for God not to judge the world (v. 6)? (Hint: See John 17:17; Jam. 1:13; Heb. 6:17-18; Ex. 34:6-7)

Application

- Sometimes God takes us through deep waters in order to help to become more like Jesus. It's not a sin to doubt God. It's only a sin to disobey Him. Have difficult times ever caused you to doubt that God would keep His promises to you? Can you share that with the group? How did you overcome those doubts?
- Which of the excuses we give for our sin mentioned in the sermon (or one of your own) do you use the most? Why? (I didn't know any better. He/she shouldn't have made me mad. That's the way I was raised. That's just my personality. I was born this way. My environment was impoverished. The devil made me do it.)