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Study: Romans  
Week: 16  
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part 4

# Judgment Day

## *No Excuses About the Man in the Jungle*



*Romans 2:12-16*

<sup>12</sup> All who sin apart from the law will also perish apart from the law, and all who sin under the law will be judged by the law.

<sup>13</sup> For it is not those who hear the law who are righteous in God's sight, but it is those who obey the law who will be declared righteous.

<sup>14</sup> (Indeed, when Gentiles, who do not have the law, do by nature things required by the law, they are a law for themselves, even though they do not have the law, <sup>15</sup> since they show that the requirements of the law are written on their hearts, their consciences also bearing witness, and their thoughts now accusing, now even defending them.) <sup>16</sup> This will take place on the day when God will judge men's secrets through Jesus Christ, as my gospel declares. (NIV)

**1. Realize** \_\_\_\_\_

(v.12a, 14-15)

**2. Affirm** \_\_\_\_\_ (v.12b-13)

**3. Ditch** \_\_\_\_\_ (v.16)

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Read **Acts 17:30-31**. The Bible requires that "all people everywhere repent." What are some of the excuses people use to avoid obedience to the gospel's call?

How is "charging God with injustice" used as an excuse? Why is that an unacceptable reason for refusing to repent and trust in Christ?

2. Describe a time when your conscience "accused you" of wrong even before you read or heard of God's requirement or prohibition regarding the act that provoked your conscience.

3. How should the principle "to whom much is given, much is required" (Lk.12:48) affect our thoughts regarding God's coming judgment?

4. How do modern Christians attempt to use knowledge of God's word as a "free pass" for not doing what it says?

5. How does a better understanding of sin and human culpability make you appreciate God's saving grace?

## *Read Through the Bible in a Year*

Here's this week's schedule:

November 16<sup>th</sup>

*Ezk.37-38 & Heb.10*

November 17<sup>th</sup>

*Ezk.39-40 & Heb.11*

November 18<sup>th</sup>

*Ezk.41-42 & Heb.12*

November 19<sup>th</sup>

*Ezk.43-44 & Heb.13*

November 20<sup>th</sup>

*Ezk.45-46 & Jms.1*

November 21<sup>st</sup>

*Ezk.47-48 & Jms.2*

November 22<sup>nd</sup>

*Dan.1-2 & Jms.3*

November 23<sup>rd</sup>

*Dan.3-4 & Jms.4*

Here is a list of other CDs available from past sermons which may assist you in your further study of today's message.

CD # 0655 – **Without Excuse: God's Grace Against the Backdrop of Inexcusable Sin**

CD # 0026 – **Is Christianity the Only Way?**

CD # 0529 – **Don't Miss It: Taking Stock of What's at Stake**

CD # 0813 – **Getting Honest About Myself**

Here are some resources that will assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in this week's sermon.  
(To see other recommendations by Pastor Mike related to this and other topics go to [www.CompassBooks.org](http://www.CompassBooks.org).)

Beckwith, Frank & Greg Koukl. **Relativism: Feet Firmly Planted in Mid-Air**. Baker Books, 1998.

Carson, D. A. **The Gagging of God: Christianity Confronts Pluralism**. Zondervan, 1996.

Erickson, Millard. **Postmodernizing the Faith: Evangelical Responses to Postmodernism**. Baker Books, 1998.

House, Paul. **Who Will Be Saved? Defending the Biblical Understanding of God & Salvation**. Crossway, 2000.

Köstenberger, Andreas and Peter O'Brien. **Salvation to the Ends of the Earth**. Intervarsity, 2001.

Lutzer, Erwin. **Christ Among Other Gods**. Moody Press, 1994.

Nash, Ronald. **Is Jesus the Only Savior?** Zondervan, 1994.

Piper, John, et al. **The Supremacy of Christ in a Postmodern World**. Crossway, 2007.

Phillips, Richard, et al. **Only One Way? Reaffirming the Exclusive Truth Claims of Christianity**. Crossway, 2007.

Richardson, Don. **Eternity in Their Hearts**. Regal Books, 1981.

Ryken, Philip. **Is Jesus the Only Way?** Crossway Books, 2000.

Wells, David. **No Place for Truth: Or Whatever Happened to Evangelical Theology?** Eerdmans, 1993.

Zacharias, Ravi. **Jesus Among Other Gods: The Absolute Claims of the Christian Message**. Word Publishing, 2000.