

## In Need of Saving (part 2) - Romans 2:12-3:20

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What makes news good or bad? It all depends on how the facts affect you. It depends on your perspective or your circumstances. Do the facts change my life for the better, or for the worse? How does this affect me? To open his letter to the Romans, Paul declares that he has good news to share. Not just news, but good news. How could it be good for everyone?

### Romans 2:12-29

#### Five Blessings

- A \_\_\_\_\_
- The \_\_\_\_\_
- A \_\_\_\_\_ with God
- The Knowledge of \_\_\_\_\_
- A \_\_\_\_\_

#### Five Questions

- Fifth and final question: Do you \_\_\_\_\_ God by \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_?
- The \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of religious people leads the world to want nothing to do with their God.

#### Not Just Jews...

- Puffed up and \_\_\_\_\_ is the result of a \_\_\_\_\_ that thinks it has no need for \_\_\_\_\_.

### Romans 3:1-20

- \_\_\_\_\_ has been there all along!
- Our \_\_\_\_\_ throughout the generations has only brought God's \_\_\_\_\_ into \_\_\_\_\_.
- No one is \_\_\_\_\_.

What makes news good or bad? Well, it all depends on how the facts affect you. Every single one of us needs to understand our reality. Without Jesus all we can know is bad news. God's wrath will be poured out. Judgement is coming. We will be judged by our works, not saved by them. It doesn't matter how worldly, or how religious, you are; you are a sinner in need of saving. We need to know the bad news - *"through the law comes knowledge of sin."* And in the darkness of our reality, how could the news of Jesus be anything other than good news?

**Next Week: Romans 3:21 - 4**