

THAT BOAT DON'T FLOAT! (3:1-20)

GOD IS JUSTIFIED IN JUDGING JEWS AND GENTILES ALIKE FOR THEIR UNRIGHTEOUSNESS (ROM. 3:1-8)

- How does Paul address the objections in verses 2-4? Is his response reasonable? (Question 2)
- How would you respond to someone who claimed that God was unjust to punish sin? How does Romans 1:18-2:29 support your argument? (Question 3)

IT IS NOT POSSIBLE FOR ANY PERSON TO ATTAIN GOD'S STANDARD OF RIGHTEOUSNESS (ROM. 3:9-20)

- What does it mean that "no one seeks for God" (v. 11)? What are the implications for people that seem to be searching for God? (Question 5)
- In what sense is Paul saying that "no one does good" (v. 12)? Is mankind completely incapable of doing good? Why or why not? (Question 6)
- How does fearing God help us in our struggle against sin? (Question 9)
- How does a biblical anthropology speak to the popular, cultural notion that all people are basically or relatively good? (Question 11)
- How should a biblical understanding of anthropology shape our evangelism? (Question 12)
- What purposes does Paul conclude the law exists to serve (v. 19)? What is it unable to do (v. 20)? (Question 13)
- What works do you hold onto that prevent you from resting in the finished work of Jesus? How does this cheapen the blood of Jesus? (Question 15)

As Paul will build upon these arguments moving forward, please also take time to briefly review by discussing Questions 16 and 17 in the conclusion.