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4:12-13

Colossians 2:16-17

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Those who believed God's word enter into His rest, those who did not believe His word received His wrath.

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God's living and active word in creation.

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God's living and active word in prophecy.

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Daniel 4:28-35

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God's living and active word in our lives.

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2 Timothy 3:16-17

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If we desire to be complete and equipped for every good work, we must rely on the living and active word of God to nourish our souls like nothing else can.

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Even as you sit here you hear God's Word and it is doing something different to you than any other words that you heard or read this week. Why?

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Hebrews 4:1-3

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God's Word was going to bring life or death, and it still does.

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The moment you speak the gospel to a room, on a street, or to a person, it cuts right to the heart and exposes them.

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The same gospel that saves also condemns.

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2 Corinthians 2:14-16

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Psalm 139:1-18

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Not only was David fully laid open for God to see, but you are as well.

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Every single person will have to give an account of their lives to the Lord Jesus Christ, the Creator, and Judge.

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God knows you better than you know yourself.

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Revelation 20:11-15

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The day of God's judgment is coming for every single sin.

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Romans 2:4-5

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Don't be deceived, you may fool men but you will never fool God.

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Matthew 23:25-28

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No amount of "holy actions" could hide the unholiness of their hearts.

Self-righteousness may trick people, but they never trick God.

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Psalm 95:8-11

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"Do I believe?"

Because this is the message that divides all people into those who will receive His rest or His wrath.

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God sees you for exactly who you are.

While there is an element of this that is horrifying, it is that same horror that causes us to rest not in ourselves but in Jesus Christ.

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1. Our culture is steadily becoming more anti-Christian, and we must be prepared to answer them with the truth. What would you say to someone who says, “Christianity wouldn’t be that bad, if it wasn’t for them thinking that they are the only ones going to heaven.”
2. The gospel is the most divisive message on earth, and it is also the one of which all people will be divided. However, we are commanded to proclaim this divisive message. Why?
3. Read Acts 17:31-34. Paul was preaching to people who were worshipping idols.
 - a. Did Paul allow for their idol worship to continue?
 - b. What did he command them to do?
 - c. What was the proof Paul gave that Jesus Christ was going to be their Judge?
4. From Scripture, we know that all sinners will face Jesus Christ in judgment. Much of modern Christianity has removed this part of the story, yet Paul had no problem telling unsaved idol worshippers about the coming judgment that they would face. Is speaking about such judgment to nonbelievers unloving? Why or why not?
5. Psalm 139 speaks much of God’s complete knowledge of each person’s actions, thoughts, and motives. This could lead, even professing Christians to wonder how God could possibly still love them. How does rightly understanding Philippians 3:8-9 help you to rest your salvation in Christ and not in yourself?