



“Legalism = Hypocrisy”

Rituals – Reality = Ruse

Romans 2:17-29

Legalism is elevating the value of Our Words and Works to be equal or greater with God’s Word and Works.

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The Legalist suffers harm for his : *Boast, Blunder, and Breach*

I. Boast– “makest thou boast of God” (verses 17-21a)

He is proud that He is:

- A. Special –“*thou art called a Jew*”
- * B. Superior –“*approvest ...things...more excellent*”
- * C. Sage –“*confident that thou thyself art a guide*”
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II. Blunder – “teachest thou not thyself” (verses 21b-24)

He is unaware His attitude is :

- A. Dishonest – “*doest thou steal*”
- * B. Dishonoring – “*dishonourest thou God*”
- * C. Dishallowing – “*God is blasphemed*”
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III. Breach – “if thou be a breaker” (verses 25-29)

He is overlooking the most important :

- A. Association – “*circumcision verily profiteth, if*”
- * The Marriage band, Baptism, Communion, Circumcision
- B. Aptitude – “*of the heart, by the Spirit*”
- * Ability to understand Grace by faith and to trust
- C. Audience – “*praise is not from men, but from God*”