

Romans 2:1-11

How to Accumulate Wrath

Finger-pointers ...

I. Your Hypocrisy

- A. Self Righteous
- B. Presumptuous
- C. Sinners

II. God's Kindness

- A. Points to Need
- B. Presents the Solution
- C. Promotes Repentance

III. A Fair Warning

- A. Storing Up Wrath
- B. Grounds for Judgment
- C. Two Destinies

... need faith.

Children, Listen ...

1. Is there any one that is without sin?
2. Should we ever think we are better than other people in the eyes of God?
3. Is it kind to tell someone they need Jesus to be saved from sins?
4. What should the kindness of God lead a sinner to do?
5. Does God give a fair warning to sinners that they need to turn from sin and believe in Jesus?

"Good People" Need the Gospel

Much is said about the how aggravating and even damaging our hypocrisy can be to others. But hypocrisy is much more deadly than we might think especially when it involves the way we view our own souls in relation to God. If we think that we are right with God based on a moral level we have achieved in our lives we are sorely mistaken. Hypocrisy is dreadfully self-deluding and we can convince ourselves that, since we aren't "like that sinner" we are somehow better off in our standing with God. We aggravate our guilt when we have the audacity to point the finger at others. Paul writes that those who fall into that category are storing up the wrath of God against them. We hate nothing more than having our hypocrisies pointed out to us, but Paul, in his desperation to drive home the Gospel to sinners does just that in our text today – it is for their own good – and it is part of the goodness of God in the Gospel. The bad news is your self-righteous, self-deluding is radically self-incriminating in the eyes of God. The good news is that He helps the hypocrite discover his real depravity and calls them to repent and believe in the Lord Jesus Christ and be saved.