



The Bad News about the Good News

Romans 3:9-25

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Sermon Notes (con't)

QUESTIONS

Ice Breaker: If God was about to send a thunder bolt from the sky to strike someone down, who do you think would be struck?

2. _____ with God's prognosis of my condition: v. 19-20

1. In the chapters leading up to Romans 3:9-25, Paul refers to a first century distinction between "we" and "they" [Romans 3:9]. To whom are these terms referring? Why does this matter? What distinctions exist today?

2. Romans 3:10-12 are quotes from Psalm 14:1-3 and Psalm 53:1-3. Observing these two psalms, who is being described? What similarities and differences do you notice between the two Psalms? How do they contribute to Paul's point in Romans 3:9-18?

3. _____ God's cure for my condition: v. 21-25

3. Romans 3:9-18 present a view of humanity that could be perceived as pessimistic. Do you agree or disagree with Paul's assessment of the human condition? What evidence would you provide to prove your point?