

INTRODUCTION

(v1) "you are inexcusable, O man, whoever you are who judge ... "

Yes, we often make judgments - offer opinions, given advice, evaluated, criticized.
We cannot say to God, "It's my judgment that You should not have a judgment day."

We live in a society with laws and judges. (Romans 13:1-7)

The text reveals at least 5 things about the judgment of God.

1. (v2) "We know that the judgment of God is according to truth ... "

We judge by our likes and dislikes, personal preference, what we've been taught.

"according to truth" - (John 17:17) "Your word is truth"

(John 12:48) "He who rejects Me, and does not receive My words, has that which judges him, the word that I have spoken will judge him in the last day"

2. (v3) "and do you think this, O man ... that you will escape the judgment of God?"

It is possible to escape man's judgment:

- 1) The offense will go undetected or we just go uncaught.
- 2) The guilty flee beyond the bounds of jurisdiction.
- 3) Guilty, go to trial, and get off for some reason.
- 4) Guilty, go to prison, escape, and hide from the law.

Concerning God's judgment, don't even "think" about it: (2 Cor. 5:10; Hebrews 9:27)

3. (v5) "... of the righteous judgment of God" -

(v11) "For there is no partiality with God"

(2 Timothy 4:8) "the Lord, the righteous judge" and (Acts 17:30-31) "He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained ... "

4. (v6) "who will render to each one according to his deeds"

(v5) and (v8-9) list wrong deeds. (v7) and (v10) list right deeds.

5. (v16) "God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ"

(Ecclesiastes 12:13-14) "God will bring every work into judgment, including every secret thing"

(Psalm 44:20-21) "... For He knows the secrets of the heart"

CLOSE: (2 Thessalonians 1:7 – 10) "... vengeance on those who do not know God, and on those who do not obey the gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ ... "