

Romans 3:1-20

Then what advantage has the Jew?

Or what is the value of
circumcision? Much in every way.

To begin with, the Jews were
entrusted with the oracles of God

What if some were unfaithful?

Does their faithlessness nullify the
faithfulness of God?

By no means! Let God be true though every one were a liar, as it is written, “That you may be justified in your words, and prevail when you are judged.”

But if our unrighteousness serves
to show the righteousness of God,
what shall we say? That God is
unrighteous to inflict wrath on us?
(I speak in a human way.)

By no means! For then how could God judge the world? But if through my lie God's truth abounds to his glory, why am I still being condemned as a sinner?

And why not do evil that good may
come?—as some people
slanderosly charge us with saying.
Their condemnation is just.

What then? Are we Jews any better off? No, not at all. For we have already charged that all, both Jews and Greeks, are under sin,

as it is written: “None is righteous,
no, not one; no one understands;
no one seeks for God. All have
turned aside; together they have
become worthless; no one does
good, not even one.”

“Their throat is an open grave;
they use their tongues
to deceive.”

“The venom of asps is under their
lips.”

“Their mouth is full of curses
and bitterness.”

“Their feet are swift to shed blood;
in their paths are ruin and misery,
and the way of peace they
have not known.”

“There is no fear of God before
their eyes.”

Now we know that whatever the law says it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be stopped, and the whole world may be held accountable to God.

For by works of the law no human
being will be justified in his sight,
since through the law comes
knowledge of sin.

Galatians 3:28

There is neither Jew nor Greek,
there is neither slave nor free,
there is no male and female, for
you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Romans 10:12

For there is no distinction
between Jew and Greek; for the
same Lord is Lord of all,
bestowing his riches on all who
call on him.

Perspectives in Conflict with God's Faithfulness

1. Earthly perspective
2. Man centered perspective
3. Finite perspective

Ecclesiastes 3:11

He has made everything beautiful
in its time. Also, he has put
eternity into man's heart, yet so
that he cannot find out what
God has done from the
beginning to the end.

Ecclesiastes 6:12

For who knows what is good for man while he lives the few days of his vain life, which he passes like a shadow? For who can tell man what will be after him under the sun?

Ecclesiastes 7:14

In the day of prosperity be joyful,
and in the day of adversity
consider: God has made the one
as well as the other, so that man
may not find out anything that
will be after him.

Ecclesiastes 8:17

**then I saw all the work of God,
that man cannot find out the
work that is done under the sun.
However much man may toil in
seeking, he will not find it out.
Even though a wise man claims
to know, he cannot find it out.**

Ecclesiastes 9:11-12

Again I saw that under the sun the race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong, nor bread to the wise, nor riches to the intelligent, nor favor to those with knowledge, but time and chance happen to them all. For man does not know his time.

Ecclesiastes 11:5

As you do not know the way the spirit comes to the bones in the womb of a woman with child, so you do not know the work of God who makes everything.

The Doctrine of Total Depravity

3:10-12 Everyone!

3:13-18 Entirely!

3:19-20 Guilty!

