

**Introduction:**

Today we will conclude our look at *the need for a Savior*.

**Things we will look at in this lesson:** The Guilt of the Jews and the Guilt of the World

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***01. How did the Jews know God?***

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***02. Who do most Bible scholars agree that Paul is directing his words to in Romans 2:1-16?***

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***03. Why are high moral standards of conduct inadequate?***

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***04. Rather than judging hypocritically or self—righteously, what should we be doing?***

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Figure 1)

Seven Principles of Divine Judgment (Romans 2)	
1	God's judgment is certain. (2:3)
2	God's judgment is universal. (2:9–10)
3	God's judgment is based on truth. (2:2)
4	God's judgment is based on what a person does. (2:6)
5	God's judgment is impartial. (2:11)
6	God's judgment is based on light given. (2:12)
7	God's judgment is through Jesus Christ. (2:16)

Figure 2)

SIX ADVANTAGES CLAIMED BY THE JEWS (Romans 2:17–18)	
1. They are called Jews. 2. They rely on the Law. 3. They glory in God.  4. They know God's will. 5. They have a right standard of values. 6. They are instructed in the Law.	"You call yourself a Jew" (v. 17) "You rely on the law" (v. 17) "You . . . brag about your relationship to God" (v. 17) "You know his will" (v. 18) "You . . . approve of what is superior" (v. 18) "You are instructed by the law" (v. 18)
FIVE CLAIMS OF JEWS IN RELATION TO THE GENTILE WORLD (Romans 2:19–20)	
1. A Guide to the Blind 2. A Light for Those in the Dark 3. An Instructor of Fools 4. A Teacher of Infants 5. A Possessor of Knowledge and Truth	"You are convinced that you are a guide for the blind" (2:19) "A light for those who are in the dark" (v. 19) "An instructor of the foolish" (v. 20) "A teacher of infants [the young or immature]" (v. 20) "Because you have in the law the embodiment of knowledge and truth" (v. 20)

**05. How did the Jews see themselves?**

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**06. What was essential?**

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**07. What were circumcision and baptism intended to serve as?**

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**08. What is Paul's major emphasis in Romans 3:9?**

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**09. What two truths do we see in Romans 3:9-18?**

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**10. What must the Jew who seeks to justify himself by relying on the Law face?**

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***11. Even though the Law lets us know what sin is, what does it lack?***

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***12. What is greater than humanity's wickedness?***

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