

“The Stumbling Block of Being Good”

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1Cor. 1:23 but we proclaim Christ
crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and
foolishness to Gentiles,



Rom. 1:16 ¶ For I am not ashamed of the
gospel; it is the power of God for
salvation to everyone who has faith, to
the Jew first and also to the Greek.



Rom. 1:17 For in it the righteousness of
God is revealed through faith for faith;
as it is written, "The one who is
righteous will live by faith."



Matt. 9:12 But when he heard this, he
said, "Those who are well have no need
of a physician, but those who are sick."



Rom. 1:18 ¶ For the wrath of God is



revealed from heaven against all

ungodliness and wickedness of those who

by their wickedness suppress the truth.

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Rom. 1:21 for though they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their senseless minds were darkened.



Rom. 1:22 Claiming to be wise, they became fools;
Rom. 1:23 and they exchanged the glory of the
immortal God for images resembling a mortal
human being or birds or four-footed animals or
reptiles.



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Rom. 1:29 being filled with all
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evil; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit,
malice; they are gossips,



Rom. 1:30 slanderers, haters of God,
insolent, arrogant, boastful, inventors
of evil, disobedient to parents,



Rom. 1:31 without understanding,
untrustworthy, unloving, unmerciful;



Rom. 2:1 ¶ Therefore you have no excuse,
whoever you are, when you judge others;
for in passing judgment on another you
condemn yourself, because you, the judge,
are doing the very same things.



Rom. 2:2 You say, "We know that God's judgment on those who do such things is in accordance with truth."



Rom. 2:3 Do you imagine, whoever you are, that when you judge those who do such things and yet do them yourself, you will escape the judgment of God?



Rom. 2:17 ¶ But if you call yourself a
Jew and rely on the law and boast of
your relation to God



Rom. 2:18 and know his will and
determine what is best because you
are instructed in the law,



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Rom. 2:20 a corrector of the foolish, a
teacher of children, having in the law
the embodiment of knowledge and
truth,



“There is nothing so offensive to God or so dangerous to the human soul as pride and self-sufficiency. Of all sins it is the most hopeless, the most incurable” 

Christ's Object Lessons, p, 154

Rom. 2:21 you, then, that teach others,
will you not teach yourself? While you
preach against stealing, do you steal?



Rom. 2:22 You that forbid adultery, do
you commit adultery? You that abhor
idols, do you rob temples?



Rom. 2:23 You that boast in the law, do
you dishonor God by breaking the law?



Rom. 2:4 Or do you despise the riches of his kindness and forbearance and patience? Do you not realize that God's kindness is meant to lead you to repentance?



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Rom. 3:14 “Their mouths are full of cursing
and bitterness.”

Rom. 3:15 “Their feet are swift to shed
blood;



Rom. 3:16 ruin and misery are in their paths,

Rom. 3:17 and the way of peace they
have not known.”

Rom. 3:18 “There is no fear of God
before their eyes.”



Rom. 3:19 ¶ Now we know that whatever the law says, it speaks to those who are under the law, so that every mouth may be silenced, and the whole world may be held accountable to God.



Rom. 3:20 For “no human being will be justified in his sight” by deeds prescribed by the law, for through the law comes the knowledge of sin.



Grace In the Desert



“...See to it that no one misses the grace of God...”

Heb. 12:15