



Family preparation for congregational worship on January 01, 2017

Our Scripture-Romans 3:1-8 (ESV): Then what advantage has the Jew? Or what is the value of circumcision? ²Much in every way. To begin with, the Jews were entrusted with the oracles of God. ³What if some were unfaithful? Does their faithlessness nullify the faithfulness of God? ⁴By 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." ⁵But 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.) ⁶By no means! For then how could God judge the world? ⁷But if through my lie God's truth abounds to his glory, why am I still being condemned as a sinner? ⁸And why not do evil that good may come?—as some people slanderously charge us with saying. Their condemnation is just.

Discuss:

1. What do we learn about the character of God in this passage?
2. What was the response of Paul to the charge that God's judgment is unjust?
3. What false teaching was being attributed to the Apostle Paul?

Prayer: Praise the Lord that His wisdom is available to all those who love Him. Praise the Lord for His holiness and that we can share in that holiness. Ask God to search your heart and cleanse you from any sin the Holy Spirit brings to mind. Pray for our political leaders. Pray for Andy Buhrow as he ministers with Baptists for Life. Ask the Lord for a greater wisdom in your daily life. Ask the Lord who He would have you invite to church this coming Sunday.

Memorize (January): "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made." ***John 1:1-3 (ESV)***

Music:

As you meditate and prepare your heart for worship this Sunday, sing this song to the Lord;

*Jesus calls us o'er the tumult of our life's wild, restless sea;
Day by day His sweet voice soundeth, saying Christian follow me.*

*Jesus calls us from the worship of the vain world's golden store,
From each idol that would keep us, saying Christian love me more.*

*Jesus calls us: by thy mercies, Savior, may we hear thy call.
Give our hearts to Thine obedience, serve and love thee best of all.*

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CIRCUMCISION
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