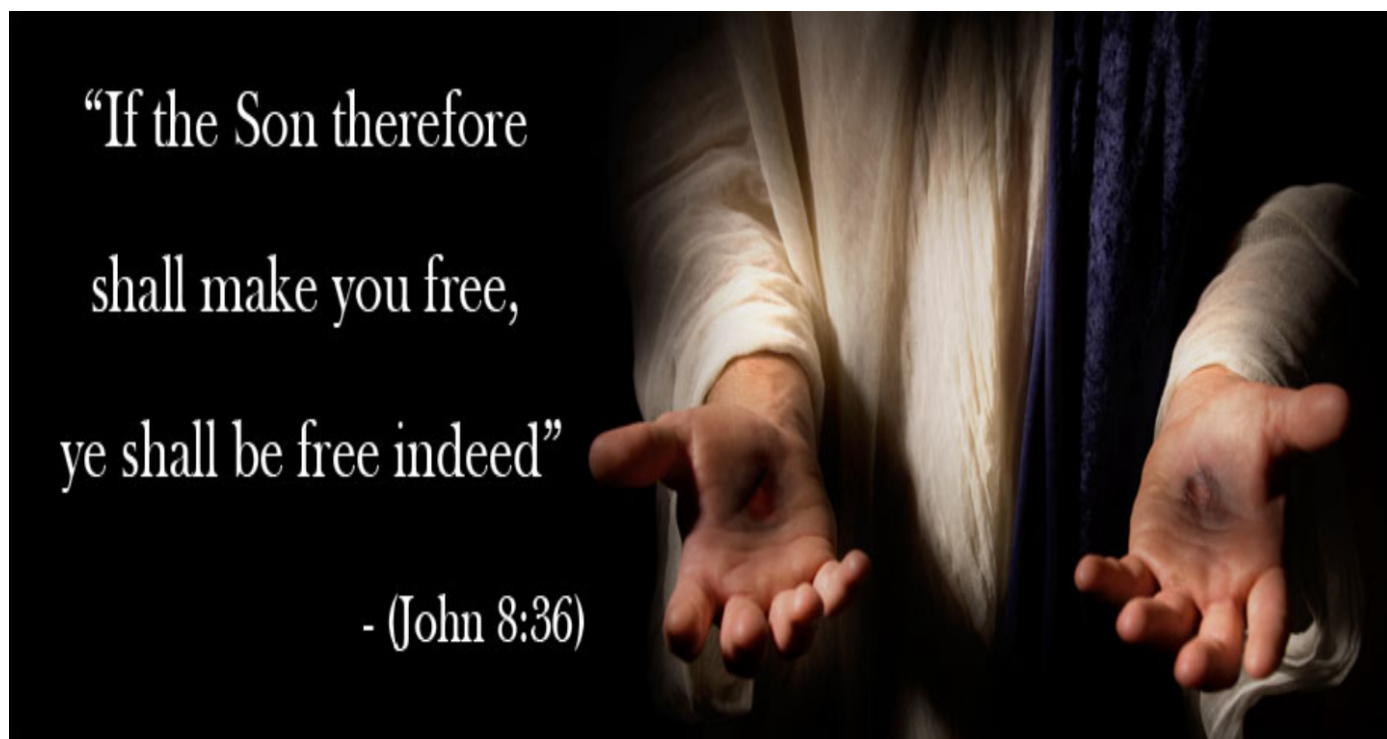


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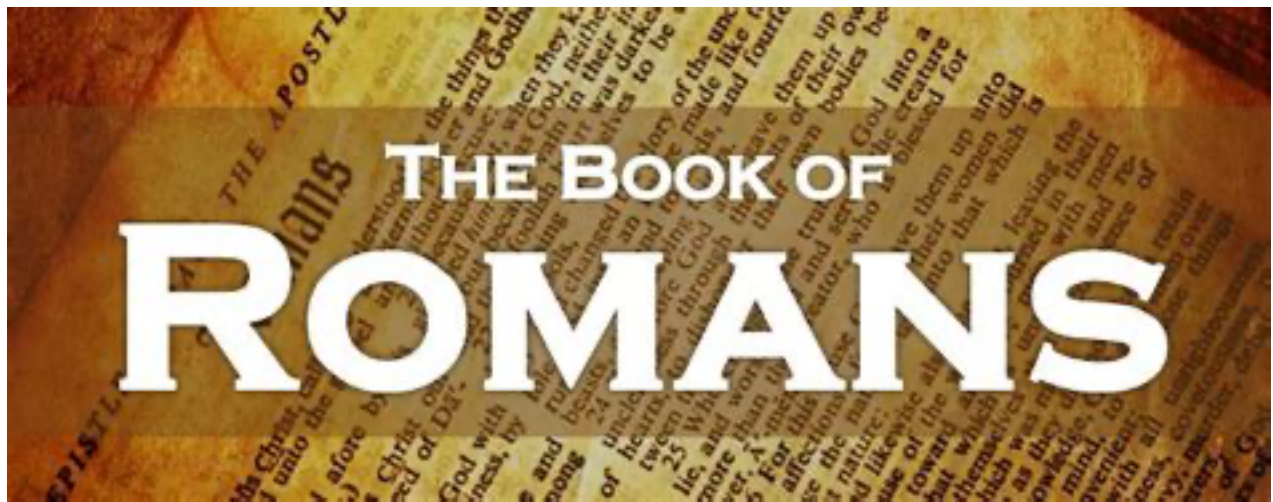
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Thoughts on Romans

2:11-12 *For there is no respect of persons with God. For as many as have sinned without law shall perish without law: and as many as have sinned in the law shall be judged by the law.*

Paul has already made it abundantly clear to the church at Rome that unregenerate man is full of sin. This is revealed all throughout the first three chapters of this epistle. Perhaps the most condemning statement of this fact is in [1:28-29a](#): “And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a reprobate mind, to do those things which are not convenient; Being filled with all unrighteous....”

In [2:9-10](#) the Apostle contrasts the eternal destinies of those who are saved by God's grace and those who are not: "Tribulation and anguish, upon every soul of man that doeth evil, of the Jew first, and also of the Gentile; But glory, honor, and peace to every man that worketh good, to the Jew first, and also to the Gentile."

Here is [2:11](#) Paul, under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, indicates to a church that has believers who are from both Jewish and Gentile backgrounds, that the Gospel is intended for *ALL* people.

This is something that would have been disgusting to him before his amazing conversion! It was bad enough, according to his thinking at the time, that Jesus could and did save Jews, but by the time he was writing this letter it had been an undeniable mandate to the Apostles and all believers!

Paul reached the point in his Christian experience that he learned this well in his first epistle to the Corinthians: "For though I be free from all men, yet have I made myself servant unto all, that I might gain the more. And unto the Jews I became as a Jew, that I might gain the Jews; to them that are under the law, as under the law, that I might gain them that are under the law; To them that are without law, as without law (being not without law to God, but under the law to Christ), that I might gain them that are without law. To the weak became I as weak, that I might gain the weak: I am made all things to all men, that I might by all means save some. And this I do for the Gospel's sake..." ([9:19-23a](#)).

Simply put, the Gospel is for all!

It doesn't matter what a person's age, race, education level, financial status, or political connection might be, God has sent His Son "to seek and to save those who are lost" ([Luke 19:19](#)).

The ultimate consideration must be this: it does not enter God's mind to treat people differently because of things that often seem so important to many today.

What does God consider? Sin! This applies to those who have sinned "without law" (Gentiles) and those who have sinned "in the law" (Jews).

All sin must be paid for! God's holiness DEMANDS this! And this applies to all people, "for there is no respect of persons with God."

May we reach the same conclusion that the Apostle reached when considering these things: "For I am not ashamed of the Gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to everyone that believeth, to the Jew first, and also to the Greek" ([Romans 1:16](#)).

Perhaps the words to this wonderful hymn will help to inspire us:

Rescue the Perishing

Fanny J. Crosby

*Rescue the perishing, care for the dying.
Snatch them in pity from sin and the grave!
Weep o'er the erring one, lift up the fallen!
Tell them of Jesus, the mighty to save!*

*Down in the human heart, crushed by the tempter,
Feelings lie buried that grace can restore!
Touched by a loving heart, wakened by kindness,*

Cords that are broken will vibrate once more!

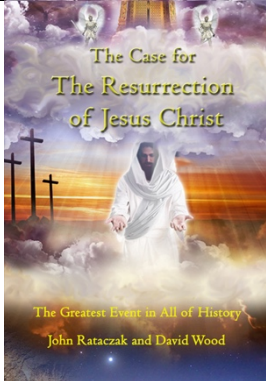
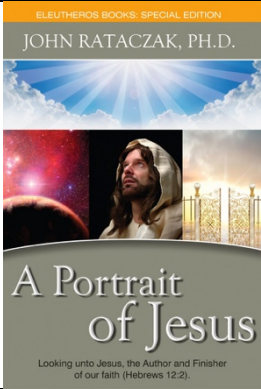
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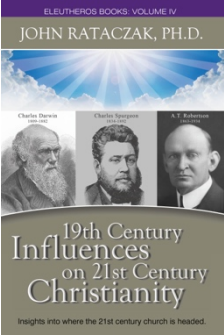
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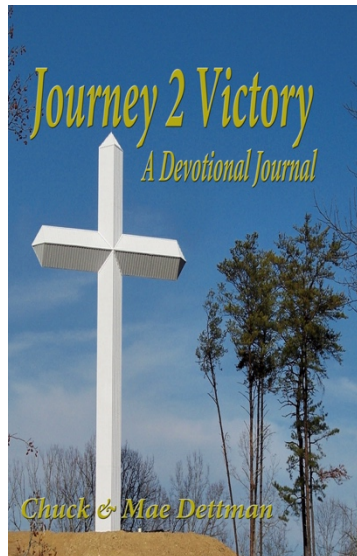
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