

PBF CONNECT GROUP STUDY GUIDE

For the week of May 13-19

Romans 2:6-11; 5:1-2 - "Law or Gospel"

Synopsis: Romans 2:6-11 describes the standard of judgment God will use in judging humanity. Obedience brings blessing in the judgment; disobedience brings wrath. Only those who by faith are in Christ, and thus have Christ's obedience credited to them, will be justified in the judgment.

Into the Bible

1. Describe God's justice. What is the basis for his judgment?
2. What does 2:7 mean that God will give eternal life to all "who by patience in well-doing seek for glory and honor and immortality"? Isn't that a works-based message?
3. What is the "glory and honor and immortality" those in 2:7 are seeking?
4. Describe the differences between the concepts of law and gospel.

5. Why do you think both reward and judgment are "to the Jew first and also to the Greek" (2:9-10)?
6. What does it mean to be "justified by faith" in 5:1?
7. What is the "hope of the glory of God" in 5:2?

Application

8. How would your life change if you knew your admittance into God's presence depended upon your obedience?
9. Whom do you know that is confused about justification by faith and peace with God? How can you help them understand?