

**"GOD'S PERFECT JUDGMENT ON THE MORAL MAN"
(PART ONE)
ROMANS 2:1-5**

**I. GOD LEVELS A STINGING INDICTMENT ON
EXCUSELESS HUMAN JUDGES (2:1)**

- A. Because (At Least In The Case Of The Jew) They Are Enlightened Beyond The Level Of The Majority Of The World.
- B. Because They Condemn Themselves In Their Hypocrisy.
- C. Because Of Their Obsession With The External.

**II. THE EXCUSELESS HUMAN JUDGE WILL NOT ESCAPE
THE JUDGMENT OF GOD (2:2-5)**

- A. Who Judges According To Truth (2:2-4)
 - 1. Contrary To The Presumptuous Calculations Of Man's Hypocritical Thinking (2:3)
 - 2. Contrary To The Privilege Man Knows He Is Enjoying (2:4-5)
 - a. Some Lost People Experience A Wealth Of God's Goodness And Longsuffering (2:4a)
 - b. Most Lost People Ignore The Intent Of God's Goodness (2:4b)
- B. Who Will Tap Into The Treasury Man Stores Up For Himself (2:5)
 - 1. Man Stores Actively: Because Of A Hard Heart
 - 2. Man Stores Passively: Because Of An Impenitent Heart

THE STANDARDS OF GOD'S JUDGMENT IN ROMANS 2

Because every man will someday stand before God, it is fitting that God should clue man in as to the rules. This is accomplished with the four-fold use of the little but important preposition *kata* (*kata*) which introduces a standard or norm or principle. It is usually translated *according to*. It carries the idea of being in accordance with, or in keeping with something. Here are the uses of this key literary device in Romans 2:1-16:

- **JUDGMENT IS IN KEEPING WITH TRUTH (2:2)**
"...THE JUDGMENT OF GOD IS ACCORDING TO TRUTH..."

- **JUDGMENT IS IN KEEPING WITH THE HEART (2:5)**
"BUT AFTER THY...HEART TREASUREST UP UNTO THYSELF WRATH..."

- **JUDGMENT IS IN KEEPING WITH WORKS (2:6)**
"WHO WILL RENDER TO EVERY MAN ACCORDING TO HIS DEEDS."

- **JUDGMENT IS IN KEEPING WITH THE GOSPEL (2:16)**
"...GOD SHALL JUDGE THE SECRETS OF MEN BY JESUS CHRIST ACCORDING TO MY GOSPEL."