Biblical Outline: Part 2 Romans 2 – 3:20	Message Outline: Part 2 No Self-Defense Plea, No Self-Justification
1. Vs 1-11 Excuse of Relative Righteousness	1. You are no more righteous in God's site than anyone else and trying to say so only:
vs 1-2 judging others judges self	- condemns you
vs 3 thinking of escape	- shows your foolishness
vs 4 despising God's grace	- shows a despising of God's goodness
vs 5 contention about truth of guilt	- stores up more wrath.
vs 6-11 Only perfect righteousness can be rewarded with eternal life.	God's standard is perfect righteousness; that is the standard for all.
2. Vs 11-29 Excuses of Extenuating Circumstances	2. You have no unique experience or circumstance that relieves your accountability.
(a.) vs 11-16 Excuse of the Ignorant Gentile	
Q. How can I be held accountable to something that I was never exposed to in my experience?	A. God will judge you on what you do know (sense of guilt by breaking civil and taboo laws, basic God consciousness and moral conscience) that is plenty to make you accountable.
(b.) vs 17-29 Excuse of the Jewish (or religious)	
Q. How can I be judged a sinner when I have the law of God and perform it zealously?	A.Your religion (Jew or otherwise) only demonstrates your sin and guilt, but it does not relieve it. Rather, it condemns you all the more.
3. Vs 3:1-8 Philosophical Objections to God's Justice	3. No philosophical argument will relieve you of guilt before God.
(a.) vs 1-2 Q. What's the advantage of the Jew?	A. They have the revealed word of God.
(b.) vs 3-4 Q. Did they prove God's word ineffectual by not believing? We haven't seen His promises to them fulfilled?	A. No. God will fulfill the promises and will be justified. He is true above all. (Warning: You are trying to find fault with God. You are on dangerous ground.)
(c.) vs 5-8 Q. Doesn't our badness make God's goodness look all that much better? Doesn't He need our wrong to make his right shine?	A. No. How shall God judge the world? Your damnation is just!