

ROMANS

Conscience -
2:15

Colosseum





INSIGNE RELIGIONIS ATQUE VERTUTIS MONUMENTUM
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NOVIS OPERIBVS PRISCVM EXEMPLAR IMITANTEVS
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ANNO SACRI PRINCIPATVS EIVS XXIII

**Rome -
Arch of Titus**

**Predicament of
Self-righteous**



2:1

**Principles of
Judgment**



2:2-16

Proof of Jews' Guilt



2:17-29

Protests of Jews

3:1-8

PRINCIPLES OF JUDGMENT



- 1. Based on Truth** 2
- 2. Based on Inescapability** 3-4
- 3. Based on Conduct** 5-8
- 4. Based on Impartiality** 9-11
- 5. Based on Revelation** 12-16

**Principle of
Impartiality**

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**Judgment Based
on Revelation**

2:12

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**Jews
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**Gentiles
without Law**

2:13

when

2:14-15

**Final Judgment
Based on Gospel**

2:16

OUTLINE

b. Principles of God's Judgment 2:2-16

1) Based on Truth 2:2

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5) Based on Revelation 2:12-16

a) Of Mosaic Law 2:12-13

b) Of Moral Law 2:14-15

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CONSCIENCE

➤ Analogy - nerve endings

➤ Descriptions - 1Tim 1:5, 19, 3:9, 4:2

blameless (Ac 24:16) wounded (1Cor 8:12)

clear (2Tim 1:3)

weak (1Cor 8:7)

good (1Pet 3:16)

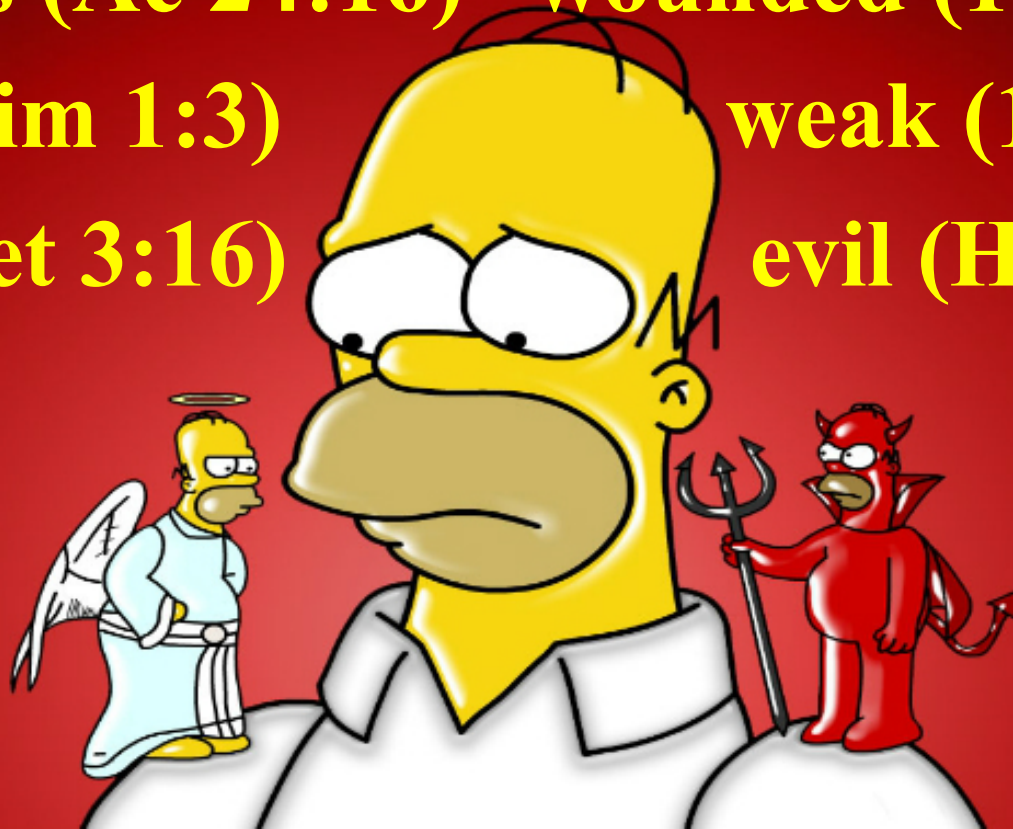
evil (Heb 10:22)

cleansed

defiled

perfect

seared



CONDITION

➤ **Unbeliever**

Always burdened with guilt

Possibility of defiled, evil, seared

Possibility of under conviction by HS

➤ **Believer**

In flesh same as unbeliever

Cleansed in Christ - justified

Clear after confession - fellowship

Renewed by the Word

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3. Restrain sin (Jn 16:8)
4. Convict of sin
5. Assure of fellowship
(Rom 2:15)



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A photograph of the Sea of Galilee at sunset. The sun is a bright yellow orb on the right side of the horizon, casting a long, shimmering reflection across the water. In the middle ground, a long pier structure with several truss-like bridges extends from the left towards the center. The sky is a gradient of orange and yellow, and the water is dark with ripples. The overall mood is serene and contemplative.

Sea of Galilee

**Walking in Christ means
maintaining a clear conscience!!!**