

The Guilt of Fallen Men, Part 2

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I. Introduction.

- A. Text: Romans 3:9-20.
- B. Scripture verifies that all the world is guilty before God.
- C. Jesus bypassed the sin curse by being born of a virgin.
- D. There are thirteen indictments against the character of man.

II. Character.

- A. Man is bad.
- B. Man is ignorant.
- C. Man is rebellious.
- D. Man is devious.
- E. Man is useless and putrid. (John 13, Psalm 14:3)
- F. Man cannot do anything that is not evil. (Matthew 15:18)

III. Conversation. The mouth reveals corrupt character. (Proverbs 10:32; 15:2)

- A. The throat is an open grave. (Psalm 5:9)
- B. The tongue is full of deceit. (Psalm 57:4, Isaiah 59, Jeremiah 9:3)
- C. The mouth is full of cursing. (Psalm 10:7; 64:3)

IV. Conduct.

- A. Man massacres himself. He is cruel.
- B. Man does not respect God. (Psalm 36:1, Luke 13)

V. The verdict.

- A. Everyone is under law whether written externally or internally.
- B. Every man is evil.
- C. Righteousness comes apart from the law by faith in Jesus.
- D. Scripture concludes that all are under sin so that they can receive the promise under Jesus. (Galatians 3:22)

Application Questions:

1. How would you respond to someone who says that man is basically good?

2. Why is it important to grasp the extent of man's evil?

3. How would you explain people who do a lot of good deeds but have no interest in Christ?
