

## Objections Overruled

Romans 3: 1-8

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The whole human race is under the \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

Fact #1: The Gentiles are sinners. (v. 18-21)

Fact #2: The moralists are sinners. (v:1-16)

Fact #3: The religious Jews are sinners. (v. 2:17-29)

Three objections to Paul's teaching:

Objection #1: If I am a sinner, then why be religious? (3:1,2)

*Then what advantage has the Jew? Or what is the benefit of circumcision? <sup>2</sup>Great in every respect. First of all, that they were entrusted with the oracles of God. (Ro 3:1,2)*

Objection #2: If I am a sinner, does that mean God won't keep His promises? (v. 3,4)

*What then? If some did not believe, their unbelief will not nullify the faithfulness of God, will it? (Ro 3:3,4)*

Objection #3: If I am a sinner, then why even bother being good? (v. 5-8)

*But if our unrighteousness demonstrates the righteousness of God, what shall we say? The God who inflicts wrath is not unrighteous, is He? (I am speaking in human terms.)  
<sup>6</sup>May it never be! For otherwise, how will God judge the world? <sup>7</sup>But if through my lie the truth of God abounded to His glory, why am I also still being judged as a sinner?  
<sup>8</sup>And why not say (as we are slanderously reported and as some claim that we say), "Let us do evil that good may come"? Their condemnation is just. (Ro 3:5-8)*