



Lesson 10
"Not even one"
Romans 3:9-20
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Read 1 Corinthians 6:9-11. Paul gives a list (not meant to be comprehensive) of examples of those who will not inherit the kingdom of God. Look at verse 11. How does Paul remind these believers of where they were, and how far they have come?

How are we justified?

Read Matthew 23:25-26. What does Jesus describe the Pharisees as "full of" on the inside?

What does "self-indulgence" mean?

Read Philippians 2:3-4. What are we *not* to act out of? What are we *to* act out of? Whose interests should we look to?

Read 2 Timothy 3:1-5. List the characteristics that Paul gives here of signs of sinful, rebellious people. (I count 19ish)

Circle the first one. All the rest of these can be traced back to being a "lover of self". What does Paul tell us to do in regard to such people in verse 5?

Read James 3:16-18. What does James tell us will exist where jealousy and selfish ambition are?

Why is this true?

List the characteristics of wisdom from above. (I count 7ish)

Now, write down the opposite of each of those characteristics next to them. Can you see how those opposites reflect the selfish ambition James is talking about?

Read 2 Corinthians 5:16-21. What are we in Christ?

What has happened to the “old” us? Is this of our own doing?

How did God reconcile the world to Himself? What did God make Jesus into?

Why did He do that?

Read Isaiah 64:6. What are all of our righteous deeds like, compared to our holy God?

Our true state before God isn't a pretty sight. As you spend time with God today, remember that you can do nothing to earn salvation or to save yourself. Then, before you begin to despair, remember that God knew you couldn't save yourself and so He sent His Son to justify you and redeem you! Thank Him for that gift, knowing your state before God, and praise Him today!