



The Deceived Moralist

Romans 2:1-5

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I. The Deceived Moralist EQUALLY receives God's Judgment

- They underestimate the **HEIGHT** of God's standard of righteousness. And they underestimate the **DEPTH** of their own sin

II. God's judgment is based on TRUTH and is FAIR

- The secret hope of the hypocrite is that God will somehow judge him by a **LOWER STANDARD** than perfect truth and righteousness.

III. God's judgment is DELAYED

- God's KINDNESS refers to the benefits and blessings that He gives
- God's FORBEARANCE refers to the judgment that He withholds
- God's PATIENCE refers to the duration of both
- The *purpose* that Paul points us to for why God has displayed such kindness, forbearance, and patience is that they would be led to REPENTANCE

IV. God's judgment is CERTAIN

- When we RELY on anything or anyone but Jesus to give us righteousness, to make us right before God, to make us right and pleasing in His sight, we are refusing to accept the GOSPEL.