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Romans 1-6

- 1:** God's general indictment against humanity.
- 2:** God's indictment against you and me because we know the Law.
- 3:** No one is righteous based on their works, but through faith in Christ.
- 4:** Abraham was justified by faith, not through works.
- 5:** Having been justified by faith in Christ, we now have peace with God.
- 6:** We can now live by the Spirit, having been set free from sin.



Romans 7:15-25

- 15** I do not understand what I do. For what I want to do I do not do, but what I hate I do ...
- 18** For I know that good itself does not dwell in me, that is, in my sinful nature. For I have the desire to do what is good, but I cannot carry it out.
- 19** For I do not do the good I want to do, but the evil I do not want to do – this I keep on doing ...



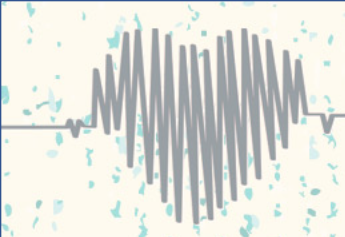
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Genesis 3:7-10

- 7** Then the eyes of both of them were opened, and **they realized they were naked**; so they sewed fig leaves together and **made coverings for themselves**.
- 8** Then the man and his wife heard the sound of the LORD God as he was walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and **they hid from the LORD God** among the trees of the garden.
- 9** But the LORD God called to the man, “Where are you?”
- 10** He answered, “I heard you in the garden, and **I was afraid because I was naked**; so I hid.”



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Genesis 3:11-13

- 11** And he said, “Who told you that you were naked? Have **you** eaten from the tree that I commanded you not to eat from?”
- 12** The man said, “The woman **you** put here with me – **she** gave me some fruit from the tree, and I ate it.”
- 13** Then the LORD God said to the woman, “What is this you have done?”
The woman said, “The **serpent** deceived me, and I ate.”



John 8:3-11

- 3 The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery. They made her stand before the group
- 4 and said to Jesus, “Teacher, this woman was caught in the act of adultery.
- 5 In the Law Moses commanded us to stone such women. Now what do you say?”
- 6 They were using this question as a trap, in order to have a basis for accusing him. But Jesus bent down and started to write on the ground with his finger.



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Matthew 7:1-2,5

- 1 “Do not judge, or you too will be judged.
- 2 For **in the same way you judge others, you will be judged**, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.
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- 5 You hypocrite, first **take the plank out of your own eye**, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother’s eye.



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I Corinthians 4:3-4

3 I care very little if I am judged by you or by any human court; indeed, I do not even judge myself.

4 My conscience is clear, but that does not make me innocent. It is the Lord who judges me.

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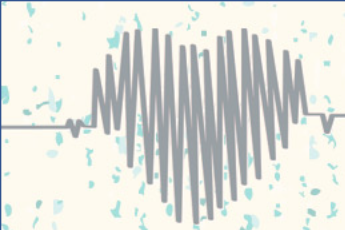


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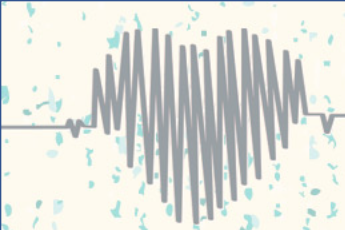
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Psalm 32:3-5,7

- 3** When I kept silent, my bones wasted away through my groaning all day long.
- 4** For day and night your hand was heavy on me;
my strength was sapped as in the heat of summer.
- 5** Then I acknowledged my sin to you and did not cover up my iniquity.
I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD.”
And you forgave the guilt of my sin.
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- 7** You are my hiding place; you will protect me from trouble
and surround me with songs of deliverance.