



# Romans 2: 12-29

## Who am I? Who are we?

Think about and discuss one or two questions from each section.

### The text – Romans 2:12-29

1. Read Romans 2:12-16. What does Paul mean by “the law”?
2. What is “sin”? What is the relationship between sin and the law?
3. In Romans 2:12-16, Paul has the day of final judgement in mind (see 2:16). What will happen on that day?
4. Why is God’s name blasphemed or dishonoured among the nations? Read and discuss 2:17-24.
5. Circumcision was an outward sign of God’s covenant with Israel. What was the inward or heart reality it was meant to signify? Look particularly at what Paul says in 2:28-29.

### The Scriptures – Romans 2:12-29 as a portion of the Scriptures

6. How does Jesus summarise the content and intent of the law in Matthew 22:34-40?
7. Can sinful human beings actually fully obey the law? Look at Paul’s conclusion in Romans 3:19-20.
8. Old Testament prophets wrote of a future time when God would send the Spirit to renew people’s hearts. Read Ezekiel 36:24-28. How is this prophecy fulfilled by Jesus?

### Our lives – walking the way of Jesus in response to Romans 2:12-29 as a portion of the Scriptures

9. In Romans, Paul teaches that we can only really know ourselves by living in right relationships with God and one another. What are the biggest threats we face in this regard today?
10. What do you need to do to be deeply known by others? To develop deep relationships?

