

Lesson 3

Romans 2:1-29

The Stories We Tell Ourselves

Story #1: My heart will tell me the right thing to do [Visceral]

Story #2: I am better than others [Moral]

Problem #1: The Moralist is a _____ of others

Problem #2: The Moralist overlooks their _____

Problem #3: The Moralist _____ they are _____

Kindness –

Forbearance –

Patience –

Repentance –

Story #3: I am justified through religious membership [Spiritual]

Religion that does NOT Justify

Bear _____ name

Possess His _____

Know what is _____

Know what is _____

Able to _____ others

The problem with religion: Since religion is an obligation or bond, it can be _____ with or without _____ to the _____ in whom the religion is _____.

Problem #1: Religion often _____ faith

Problem #2: Religion often promotes _____

Problem #3: Religion often _____ the faith for which it contends

Reflection Questions:

Do I invite the Spirit of God to search my heart?

Do I live in submission to God or in posturing toward people?

Do I rely on religious devotion of the God who is there?