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Text Romans 1-6

- This section of Scripture, although addressing Jews and Gentiles, should resonate with us today.
- Paul begins by highlighting the power of God:
 - Through the resurrection- 1:4
 - Through the gospel- 1:16
- God's power will be of comfort to those Paul addresses when we consider what he says next.



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- **ALL ARE SINNERS!!!!**
 - The path to unrighteousness discussed in Romans 1 has been well documented.
 - What I'm afraid has not been as documented is the path to unrighteousness found in Romans 2.
 - There are obvious parallels demonstrated between the Gentile/Jew dynamic and the World/Church dynamic.
 - Let's explore.

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REBELLION VS. HYPOCRISY

- **Gentile/World path to unrighteousness.**
 - *Christians can't help but be disgusted by what we read in Romans 1 and what we see presently.*
- **Jew/Church path to unrighteousness.**
 - *The World can't help but be disgusted by what they observe currently as depicted in Romans 2.*

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Our Sanctimonious Approach

- Judge other's sins- Rom. 2:1
- Ignore our own sins- Rom. 2:2-3
- Presume God's kindness- Rom. 2:4
 - It is time we stop just playing church and started being the church!
 - It is time we stopped acting self-righteous and started acting with humility- Rom. 2:4

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Paul sums up the Jewish problem in Romans 2:24,

*“For as it is written, ‘The name of God is
blasphemed among the Gentiles
because of you.’”*

- Would it be a real stretch to replace the words ‘Gentile and you’ with ‘world and the church’?