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Making sense of yourself & the world you live in.

Week 4: Everyone Has to Decide for Themselves What is Right and Wrong

Primary Passage: Romans 2:6-16

Related Passages: Isaiah 53:1-6, Romans 3:9-4:8, Romans 8:1-4, 1 John 2:1-2

"First...Human beings, all over the earth, have this curious idea that they ought to behave in a certain way, and cannot really get rid of it. Secondly,... they do not in fact behave in that way. They know the Law of Nature; they break it. These two facts are the foundation of all clear thinking about ourselves and the universe we live in."

- C.S. Lewis

LifeGroup Study Guide:

Read and Recap: Have someone read Romans 2:6-16 and recap the highlights from this week's sermon.

Where have you seen people's differing viewpoints on what is right and wrong create conflict?

Reread Romans 2:14-16. What does Paul mean when he says that "the work of the law is written on their hearts"?

• What might we lose if we reject any objective moral law and accept the idea that "everyone has to decide for themselves what is right and wrong"?

Reread Romans 2:6-10, 12 and 16. Why are we in trouble if these verses are true?

• Where do you have trouble believing that God gets the deciding vote in what is right and wrong in your life? What steps of repentance do you need to take (beyond just changing your actions)? How can we help?

Read Romans 8:1-4. How does the gospel lose any life-giving hope if we can all decide for ourselves what is right and wrong?

How is this text specifically good news for you today?

Pray that our church family would choose to humbly submit to God's authority instead of choosing to be wise in our own eyes.

Pray that your Lifegroup would foster an environment of graciously calling out sin and pushing one another towards repentance.