

# UNACCEPTABLE TO GOD

## ROMANS 3:1-20

*How did you see God working in your life this week? (Romans 1:11, 12)*

**BACKGROUND:** You must come to God by God's way and on God's terms! (**John 14:6, Hebrews 11:6, fn 11:6**)

**EVEN THE JEWS**—The Jews had the Word of God, the covenants, and the Law, but these are not the basis of salvation. (**Romans 3:1, 2, fn 3:1ff [1<sup>st</sup>], fn 3:1ff [2<sup>nd</sup>], fn 3:2, Psalms 147:19, fn 147:19, 20, Galatians 5:1-6, fn 5:2-4. Romans 3:20, fn 3:20, 21**) *Is being a church member and attending church regularly in itself, acceptable to God for eternal life? Why or why not?*

**PROVEN BY GOD**—When we look at Jesus and His life, we see the righteousness of God. When we look at our own lives, we see our own unrighteousness proven comparing them to the example of Jesus Christ. (**Romans 3:3-8, Romans 2:4, fn 2:4, John 1:4, 5, fn 1:4, 5, I John 3:5, fn 3:5, II Corinthians 5:21, fn 5:21**) *What is it about Jesus that attracts you?*

**EVEN YOU AND I**—Before coming to faith in Christ, all people are under sin. Without Christ we are in a state of sin and under its power. The law enables us to see our sin. (**Romans 3:9-20, fn 3:10-12, fn 3:10-18, fn 3:19, Isaiah 64:6, fn 64:6, Romans 3:23, fn 3:23, Colossians 1:21, fn 1:21, 22**) *At what point in your life did you realize that you were under the power of sin?*

*Check up—Are you praying with your spouse and your family? Group—Pray for personal requests and bond together by fellowshiping together.*