

# **WHEN THE RUBBER MEETS THE ROAD**

## (Romans 1:18-20 NKJ)

*For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness, because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them. For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse,*

## (Romans 1:21-23 NIV)

*because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. Professing to be wise, they became fools, and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man—and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things.*

# **The Wrath of God brings joy**

*(Rom 1:18 NKJ) For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,*

## How Long...?

*(Rev 6:9 NKJ) When He opened the fifth seal, I saw under the altar the souls of those who had been slain for the word of God and for the testimony which they held. 10And they cried with a loud voice, saying, "How long, O Lord, holy and true, until You judge and avenge our blood on those who dwell on the earth?"*

Point #1:

**God's wrath will demonstrate His justice and bring joy.**

# **The Wrath of God brings sorrow**

*(Rom 1:18 NKJ) For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,*

## God's common grace

*(Matt 5:44-45 NKJ) But I say to you, love your enemies, bless those who curse you, do good to those who hate you, and pray for those who spitefully use you and persecute you, that you may be sons of your Father in heaven; for He makes His sun rise on the evil and on the good, and sends rain on the just and on the unjust.*



## **Weeping and gnashing of teeth**

*(Mat 13:49-50 NKJ) So it will be at the end of the age. The angels will come forth, separate the wicked from among the just, and cast them into the furnace of fire. There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth.”*

Point #2:

**God's wrath will bring sorrow to those who are being punished.**

## Examine Yourself

*(Rom 2:5-7 NKJ) But in accordance with your hardness and your impenitent heart you are treasuring up for yourself wrath in the day of wrath and revelation of the righteous judgment of God, 6who “will render to each one according to his deeds”:  
7eternal life to those who by patient continuance in doing good seek for glory, honor, and immortality;*

## Examine Yourself

*(Rom 2:8-11 NKJ) but to those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness—indignation and wrath, tribulation and anguish, on every soul of man who does evil, of the Jew first and also of the Greek; but glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For there is no partiality with God.*

## **No Excuse**

*(Rom 1:20) For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse,*

## **Live an examined life**

*2 Cor 13:5 NIV) Examine yourselves to see whether you are in the faith; test yourselves. Do you not realize that Christ Jesus is in you--unless, of course, you fail the test?*

Point #3:

**We need to examine our lives.**

# What kind of fruit is in your life?

- *Doing good*

Or is it

- *Self-seeking*
- *Not obeying the truth*



## **Saved from Wrath**

*(Rom 5:8-9 NKJ) But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him*

## **We shall be saved**

*(Rom 5:10-11 NKJ) For if when we were enemies we were reconciled to God through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. And not only that, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.*

Point #4:

**Our salvation will mean changed  
lives.**

# Repent

- John the Baptist before Jesus preached that everyone should repent (Mat 3:1-2 NIV)
- Jesus himself preached that everyone should repent (Mat 4:17 NIV)
- Peter after Jesus preached that everyone should repent (Acts 2:38 NIV)

# **CONCLUSION**