

SERIES: THE ROMAN ROAD

Biblical Witnessing**Romans 3:10-20**

1. Biblical witnessing understands the human heart is totally depraved *Romans 3:9-18*

Total depravity is the state of the fallen, spiritually dead and corrupt nature of Adam which is transferred to us through our parents, and because of it we will choose to sin. *Hebrews 4:12; Romans 1:16*

Luke 11:39

Then the Lord said to him, “Now you Pharisees make the outside of the cup and dish clean, but your inward part is **full of greed and wickedness.**”

2. Biblical witnessing understands that people who are dead in their sin are able to respond to the preaching of the gospel of Christ. *Luke 15:11-19; Psalm 34:10; John 20:30-31*

Luke 15

¹⁷ “**But when he came to himself, he said, ‘How many of my father’s hired servants have bread enough and to spare, and I perish with hunger! ¹⁸ I will arise and go to my father, and will say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you, ¹⁹ and I am no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired servants.’”**
²⁰ And he arose and came to his father. But when he was still a great way off, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and fell on his neck and kissed him. ²¹ And the son said to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight, and am no longer worthy to be called your son.’
²² But the father said to his servants, ‘Bring out the best robe and put it on him, and put a ring on his hand and sandals on his feet. ²³ And bring the fatted calf here and kill it, and let us eat and be merry; ²⁴ for this my son was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.’ And they began to be merry.”

3. Biblical witnessing understands there are those who actively suppress the truth of God for their lives.

*Romans 1:18; 1 Corinthians 1:21; 2 Thessalonians 2:9-12
John 3:16, 18*

4. Biblical witnessing understands that God’s holy law must be used as a mirror for people to see their wickedness and guilt before God.

Romans 3:19; Luke 11:39; John 16:8; 1 Timothy 1:8-11

Romans 3:19

Now we know that whatever the law says, it says to those who are under the law, that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become **guilty** before God.

5. Biblical witnessing understands there is no possible way a person can be made right by trying to keep the law; instead, the law is the way for them to gain a knowledge of their sin.

Romans 3:20; Matthew 5:43-45; Mark 7:5-7

Romans 3:20

Therefore by the deeds of the law no flesh will be justified in His sight, for by the law is the knowledge of sin.