Our judgments Invite God's judgment 2:1-5

Our judgments of others leave us without excuse. 1

- No excuse here, as stated in 1:20. Judging others reveals an awareness of God's ordinances, as seen in 1:32, 2:15.
- ●Self-righteousness recalls Matt. 7:2,3 and Lk. 18:9-14.

God's judgment is according to truth. 2

- •All agree God's judgment is accurate and without bias.
- •All agree, as in 1:32, the *things* in 26ff. deserve judgment.

God's judgment may not be immediate, but it's sure. 3-5

- •Q: How can you who judge others escape judgment?
- •Q: How can you view God's kindness as a lack of concern? See I Pt. 3:9. In Romans repentance occurs only here and but once in Peter's epistles (not in John at all!). The preference of NT writers is to speak of faith.
- •Resisting God results in storing up wrath. Note the *wrath* in 1:18 is presently being experienced, but this *day of wrath* is future, 2:16, I Thess. 1:10, II Thess. 5:2. See I Thess. 1:5 for the only other occurrence of *God's righteous judgment*.

What does all this suggest for the self-righteous person?

