

Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for July 9, 1989

“False Security”
Romans 2:17-29
Part 4

Introduction: Is it important to make them aware of their insecurity? These people think they are okay, that they are part of the kingdom of God?

Body:

1. Heritage - (v.17a)

2. Knowledge - (vv. 17b-24)

A. Fact of it (vv. 17b-18)

B. The response to it .

1. They thought they had something to share (vv. 19, 20)

2. But the truth was they were messed up (vv. 21, 22)

C. Result of it (vv. 23, 24)

3. External religious practice

Circumcision. Gen. 17, the sign of the covenant with God, sign of the special relationship with God.

This outward sign has no value to those who live in rebellion.

It is easy to become confident in these religious practices. The “Jew”, circumcision; the “Christian”, baptism and communion.

Verse 27, The uncircumcised who keep the Law will judge the circumcised who only have the Law and circumcision as a “security blanket.” Their lives will be judgment to them.

Verse 28, “For he is not a Jew who is one outwardly.” This is not talking inwardly, spiritually. Abraham walked by faith (Jeremiah 9: 23-26).