

# ROMANS

The Greatest Letter Ever Written!

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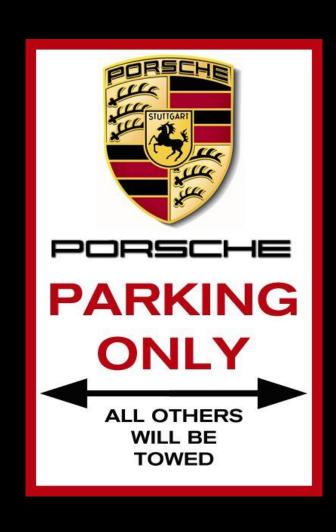
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Rom 2:25-29 "For circumcision indeed is of value if you obey the law, but if you break the law, your circumcision becomes uncircumcision. So, if a man who is uncircumcised keeps the precepts of the law, will not his uncircumcision be regarded as circumcision? Then he who is physically uncircumcised but keeps the law will condemn you who have the written code and circumcision but break the law. For no one is a Jew who is merely one outwardly, nor is circumcision outward and physical. But a Jew is one inwardly, and circumcision is a matter of the heart, by the Spirit, not by the letter. His praise is not from man but from God."

## Covenant signs count for nothing apart from covenant realities.



Dt 30:6 "Moreover the Lord your God will circumcise your heart and the heart of your descendants to love the Lord your God with all your heart so that you may live."

Dt 10:16 "So circumcise your heart and stiffen your neck no longer".



Jer 4:4 "Circumcise yourselves to the Lord and remove the foreskins of your heart. Or else My wrath will go forth like fire and burn with none to quench it, because of the evil of your deeds."

Jer 9:25 "Behold, the days are coming, declares the Lord, when I will punish all those who are circumcised merely in the flesh"

Deut 10:12-16 "Now, Israel, what does the Lord your God require from you, but to fear the Lord your God, to walk in all His ways and love Him, and to serve the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul, and to keep the Lord's commandments and His statutes which I am commanding you today for your good? "Behold, to the Lord your God belong heaven and the highest heavens, the earth and all that is in it. "Yet on your fathers did the Lord set His affection to love them, and He chose their descendants after them, even you above all peoples, as it is this day. "So circumcise your heart, and stiffen your neck no

#### The righteousness of the new covenant is inward and moral.

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# Spiritual circumcision is critical in understanding the gospel

Phil 3:3 "For we are the true circumcision, who worship in the Spirit of God and glory in Christ Jesus and put no confidence in the flesh."

Col 2:11 "In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of the flesh, by the circumcision of Christ."

### Acts 2:37 "When they heard this, they were pierced to the heart."



Pr 4:23 "Watch over your heart with all diligence, for from it flow the issues of life."

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