

The conscience of the Gentiles is said to bear an accompanying witness. This seems to mean that their conscience pronounces judgment on their actions as being either consistent or inconsistent with their own moral codes.

The judgment of God includes the condemnation of the Gentiles for their transgressions of their own moral codes, which are expressions of the outworking of the law written in their hearts. This unwritten law, on the basis of which God will judge the Gentiles, appears to be the Law of God.

A chart may help to put together the various elements of judgment:

DEFENDANTS	JUDGE	LAW	JUDGMENT
All mankind (Gentiles and Jews)	Conscience (for God)	Law of nature, written in the heart by God	In case of disobedience: guilty!
			In case of obedience: righteous!
Jews	Human judges (for God)	Laws of Moses, written on tablets of stone by God	In case of disobedience: guilty
			In case of obedience: righteous!

4. Development of the doctrine

Synthesizing the teachings of the eight passages at which we have looked, it would appear possible to draw from them seven statements concerning external general revelation, and seven statements concerning internal general revelation.