

KINDNESS AND JUDGMENT

Romans 2:1-5

Fellowship 
CHURCH

"Mercy for me, justice for you."

Romans 1 Main Ideas

1. The Gospel of God

...set apart for the gospel of God, which he promised beforehand through his prophets in the holy Scriptures, concerning his Son, who was descended from David according to the flesh and was declared to be the Son of God in power according to the Spirit of holiness by his resurrection from the dead, Jesus Christ our Lord...

ROMANS 1:1-4

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2. The Righteousness of God is Revealed

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith

ROMANS 1:16,17

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3. The wrath of God is revealed from heaven against the unrighteousness of humanity.

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ROMANS 1:18

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4. The truth revealed by God is suppressed (rejected).

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5. Mankind has attempted to exchange the glory of God for false glory, exchanging truth for false truth.

...exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man...

ROMANS 1:23

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6. Instead of accepting God as righteous judge, humankind has put themselves in the seat of judgment instead.

Though they know God's righteous decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do them but give approval to those who practice them.

ROMANS 1:32

Therefore you have no excuse, O man, every one of you who judges. For in passing judgment on another you condemn yourself, because you, the judge, practice the very same things. We know that the judgment of God rightly falls on those who practice such things. Do you suppose, O man—you who judge those who practice such things and yet do them yourself—that you will escape the judgment of God?

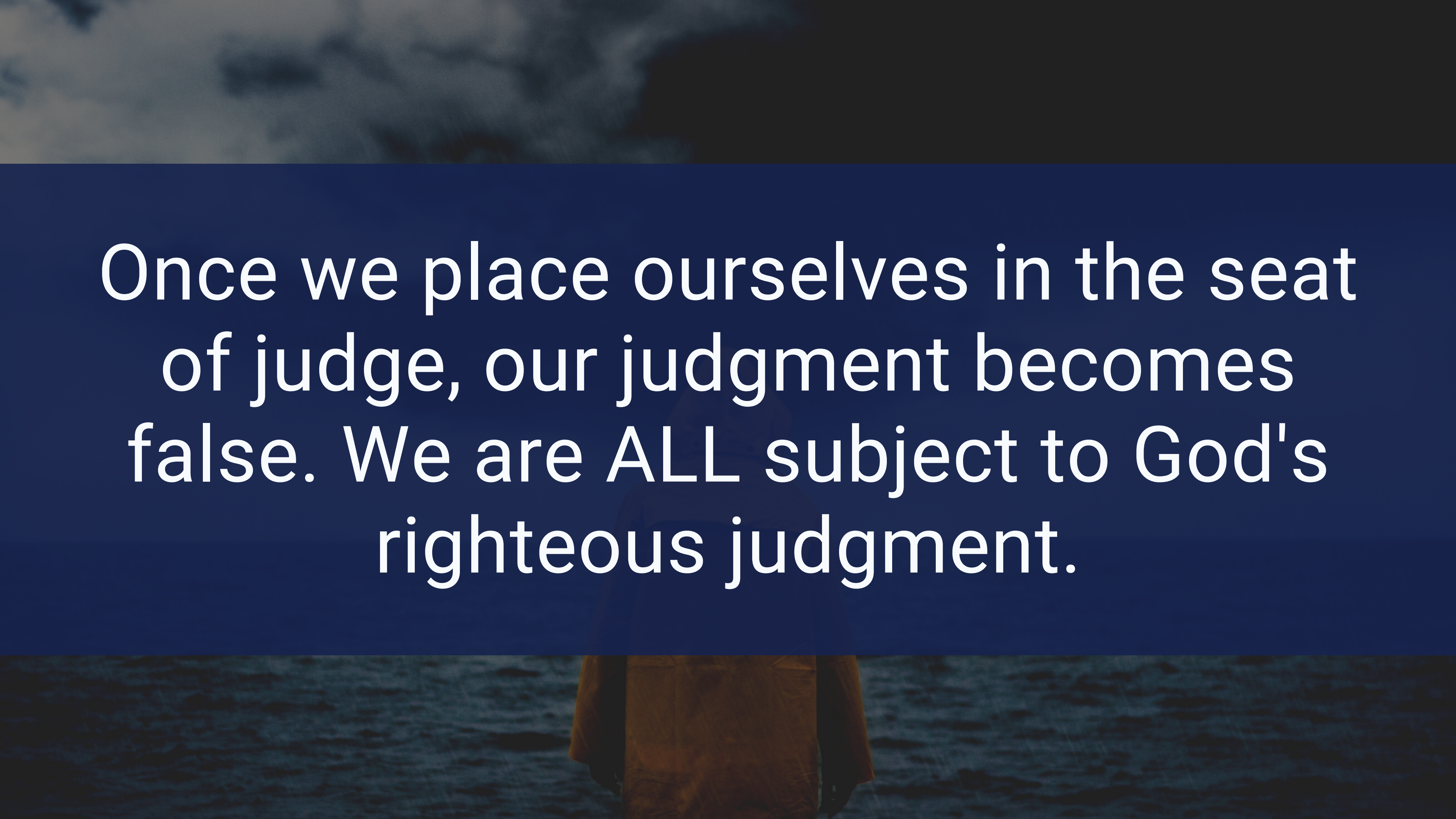
ROMANS 2:1-3

Are Christians supposed to judge or not?

Matthew 7:1 "Do not judge, lest ye be judged."

John 7:24 "Do not judge by appearances, but judge with
right judgment."

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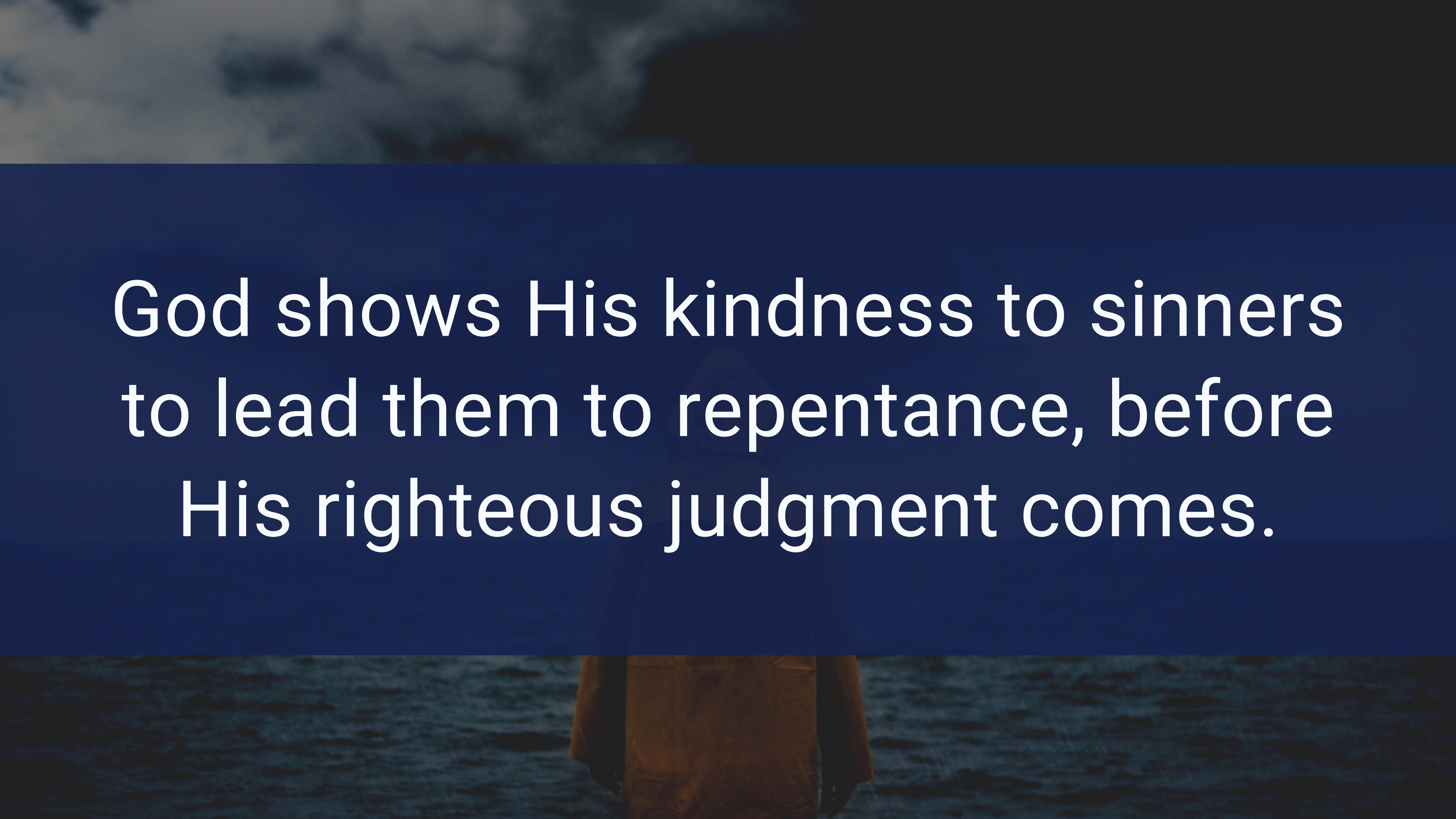


Once we place ourselves in the seat
of judge, our judgment becomes
false. We are ALL subject to God's
righteous judgment.

ROMANS 2:4,5

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**THE ONLY WAY TO BE PREPARED
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JESUS CHRIST.**

Ongoing Repentance

Through the incredible mercy and kindness of God, we can repent and find forgiveness, again and again.

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

1 JOHN 1:9

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4. Be a conduit of God's kindness and mercy, in the hopes of their repentance, before God's righteous judgment is revealed. (Ro 2:4)

Mercy triumphs over judgment.

-James 2:13