

Romans 9:1

9: 1 I say the truth in Christ, I lie not, my conscience also bearing me witness in the Holy Ghost,

The Conscience

Compare Romans 9:1 with 1 John 3:19

If your heart doesn't condemn you concerning a matter, you can have confidence toward God that you're okay with that matter.

A man with a clear conscience has confidence towards God that he is doing right (Acts 23:1, 24:16). If you have a guilty conscience, you need to find out what is wrong and repent of it and get things right.

Romans 2:15 – Your conscience accuses you or excuses you of things. Depending on the purity and integrity of your heart, your conscience will be honest with you and accuse you of sin, or it will literally seek to defend or justify your actions and lessen the blame (this is extremely dangerous).

Your conscience can be defiled by sin and by false doctrine and false teaching

See 1 Timothy 1:18-20, 1 Timothy 4:1-3, Titus 1:10-16

Your conscience can become hardened (Hebrews 3:13)

- It's like charring a pizza in the oven. There is no more taste, no more flavor, and useless. When God gives you the Holy Spirit your heart changes (Ezekiel 11:19-20). You're a new creature the Bible says. Your spirit has been made alive and reborn so that you can walk in God's ways from now on. But you can harden your heart after salvation by sinning. That's your fault, not God's. But God even provides a remedy for that!!!!!!!!!!!!

In fact, a reprobate mind (a conscience that sees nothing wrong with sin, and delights in sin) is evidence of God's wrath outpoured on an individual (Romans 1:18, 21-32).

God has given you a conscience. The Holy Ghost convicts men through their conscience (John 8:9, Acts 2:37, Acts 7:54, Psalm 73:21). God's word is EXTREMELY convicting, that's why the saved and lost avoid it, if they want to continue in their sin (Ecclesiastes 12:10-11, Hebrews 4:12)

Thank God if your conscience has been defiled, the blood of Christ can clean your heart and mind (Hebrews 9:6-9, 13-14, 10:1-2, 19-22)

The blood of Christ cleanses our minds from sin (1 John 1:9, 1:7). The water of the word does so likewise (Ephesians 5:25-27)

Blood and Water MIXED together flowed out of the side of Christ (John 19:34-35, 1 John 5:6-8)