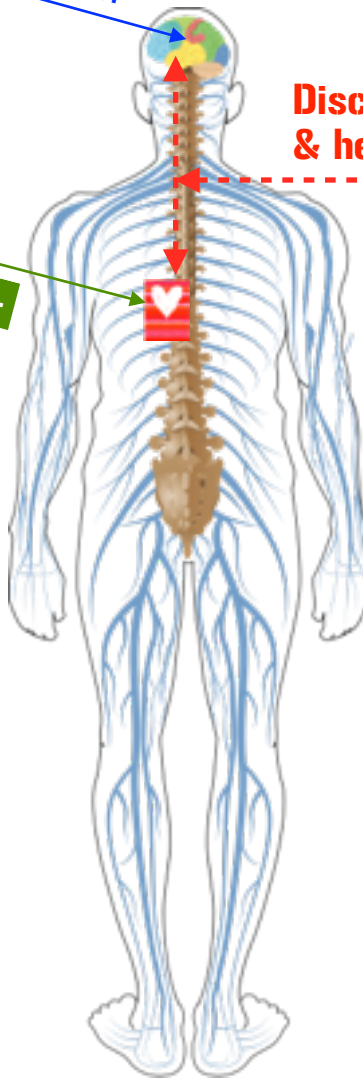


**Diagnosis: Firmware corrupted.**

Written Code: the "law," Scripture, the Bible ...  
\*External source ...

Code Corrupted: Religious OS ...  
\*Firmware corrupts external source ...



**Disconnect between brain & heart, intellect & action.**

2:23 You who boast in the law **dishonor God** by breaking the law.

- We corrupt the code ("the law") when we assimilate God's code into our religious operating system instead of being transformed by this pure, holy data-stream from God as written in his holy Book the Bible.

2:24 For, as it is written, "The name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you."

- The God they exalted in worship was high and holy. The God whom they lived their lives before was **"just another god"** who had no true influence over their daily lives. They dishonored God as they reflected a god who was not the Sovereign Lord they depicted in their holy words.

2:27 Then he who is physically uncircumcised but keeps the law **will condemn you who have the written code** and circumcision but break the law.

- Some people who do not have the written code ("the Bible") will bring condemnation on those who do by their obedience to the light they had been given.

2:29 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.

- Maintaining the integrity of "the code" is a matter of the heart, the Spirit and the focus of our praise.

**Prognosis: Grim.**

**POP QUIZ for Guides to the Blind!**

Romans 2:17-29

*Quiz*

"Is your god God?"

**Self-Exam ...**



- Do you NOT teach yourself?
- Do you steal?
- Do you commit adultery?
- Do you rob temples?
- Do you dishonor God?
- Is God's name blasphemed because of you?
- Are you an "inward" or "outward" Jew?
- From whom do you seek praise?

**"God ... Just another god ... or God ... ?"**