

Preaching Challenging Texts in Romans

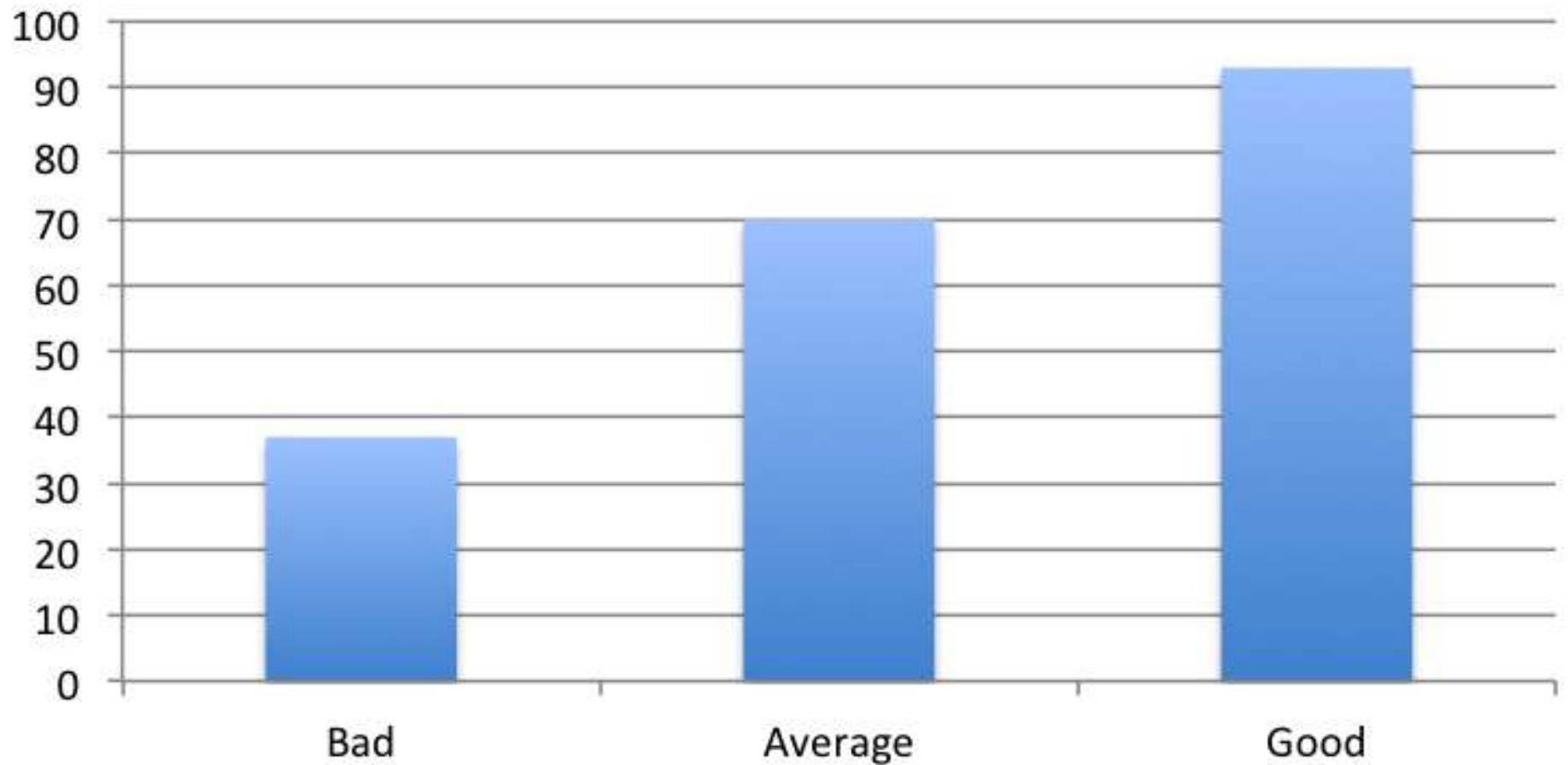
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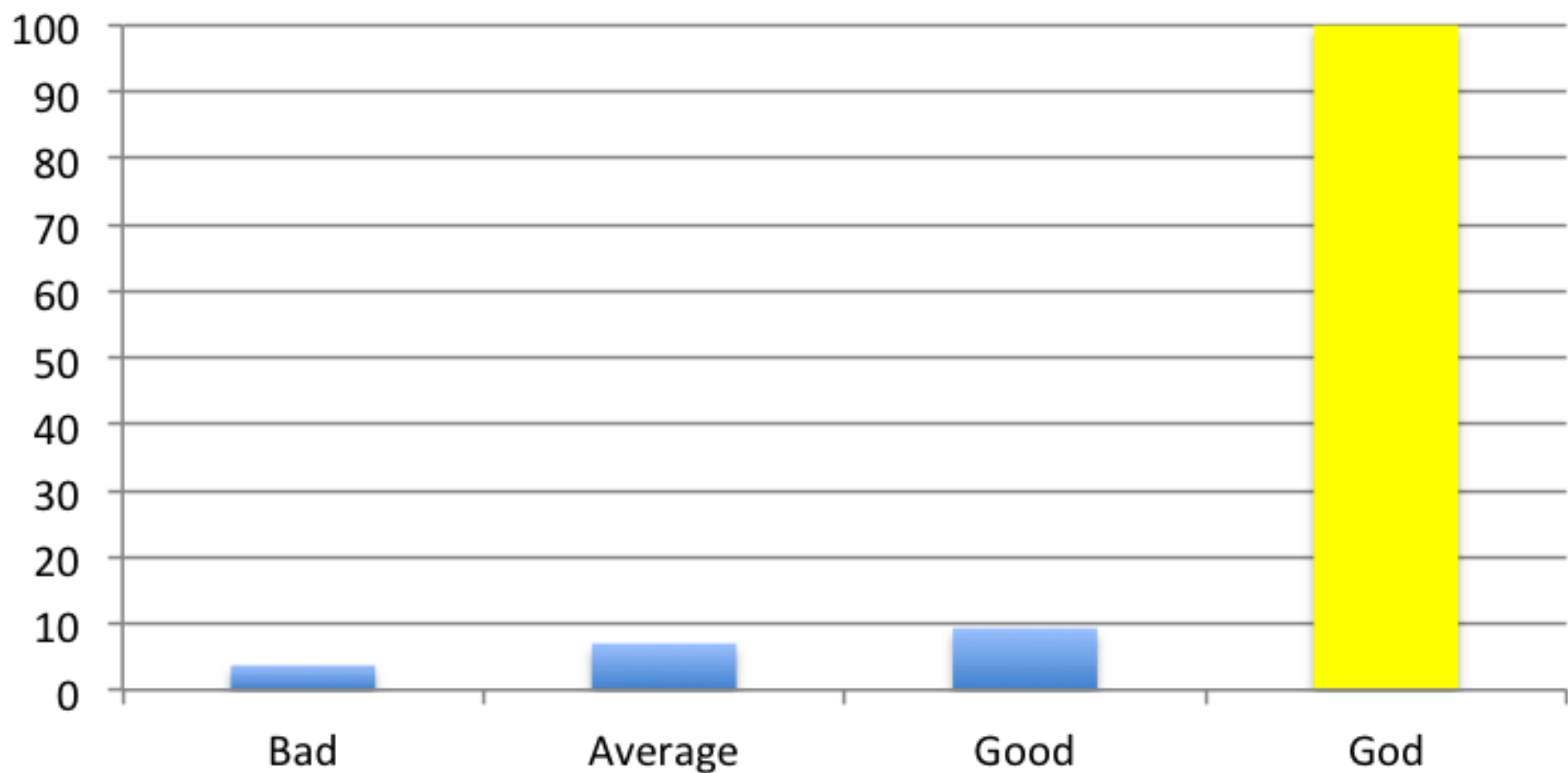
There is no distinction,
for all have sinned
and fall short of the glory of God,
and are justified freely by his grace
through the redemption
that is in Christ Jesus.

(Romans 3:22b–24)

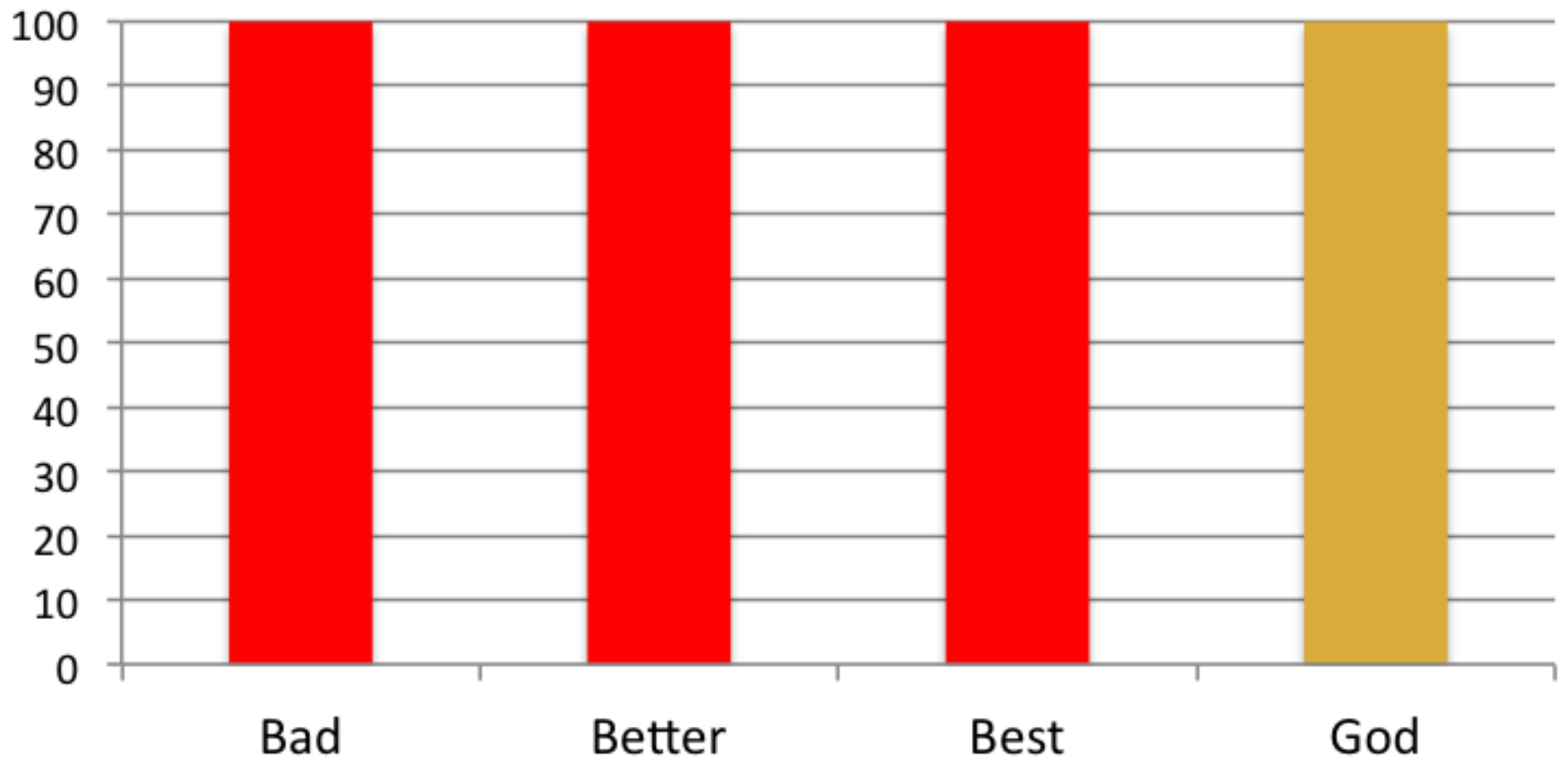
Comparing Ourselves to Others



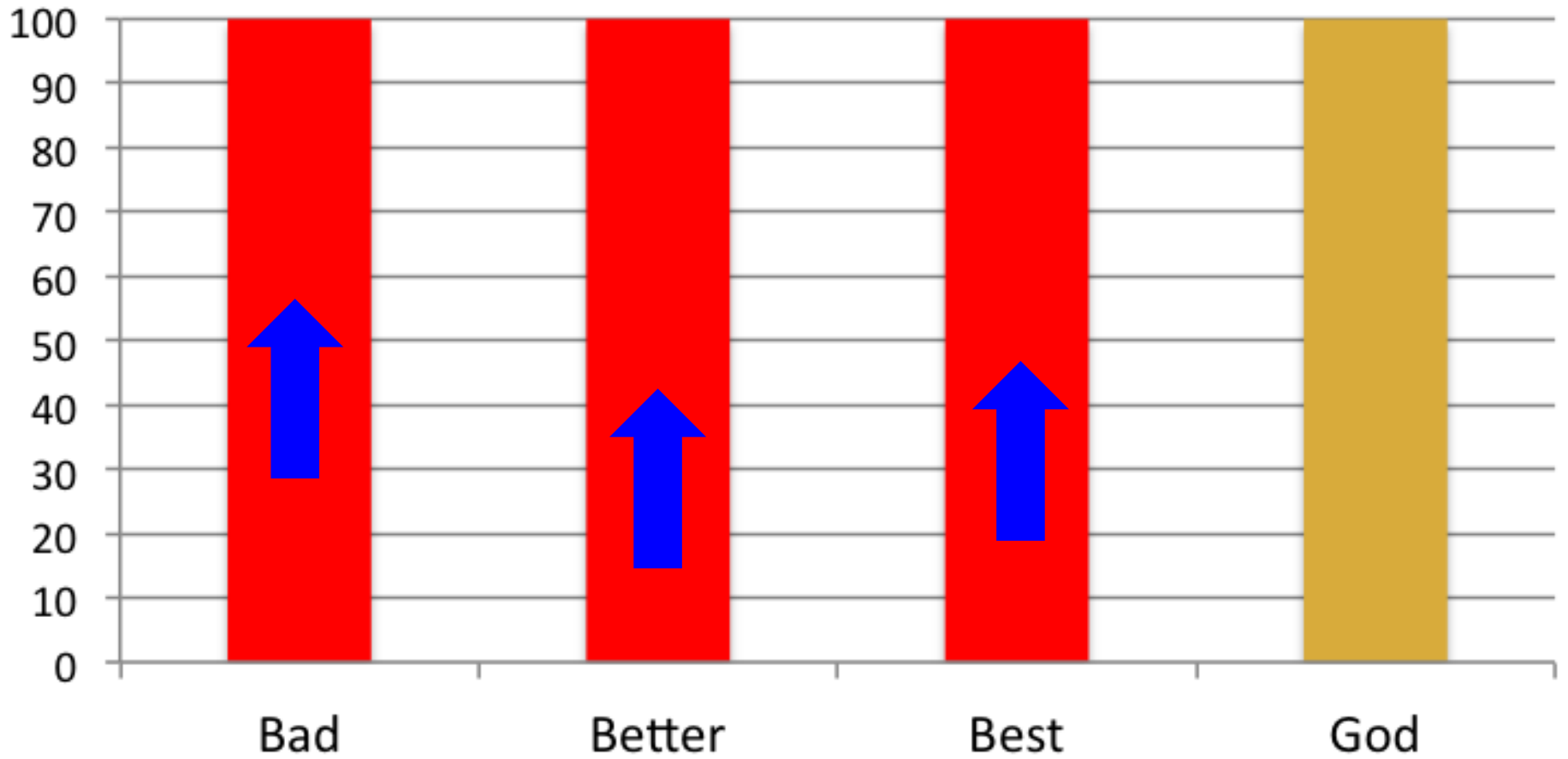
Comparing Ourselves to God



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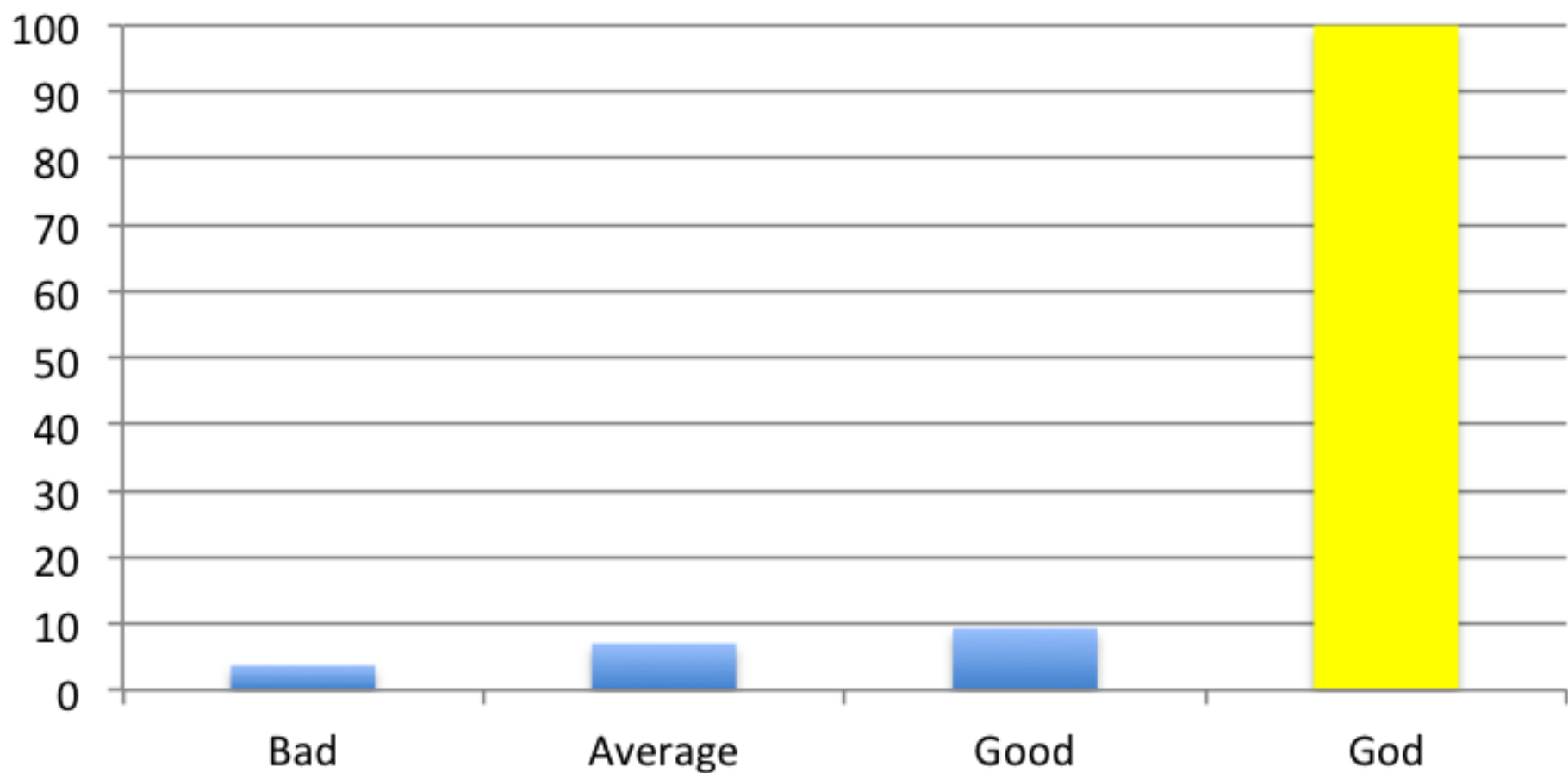
No works?

Now to the one who works, his wages are not counted as a gift but as his due.

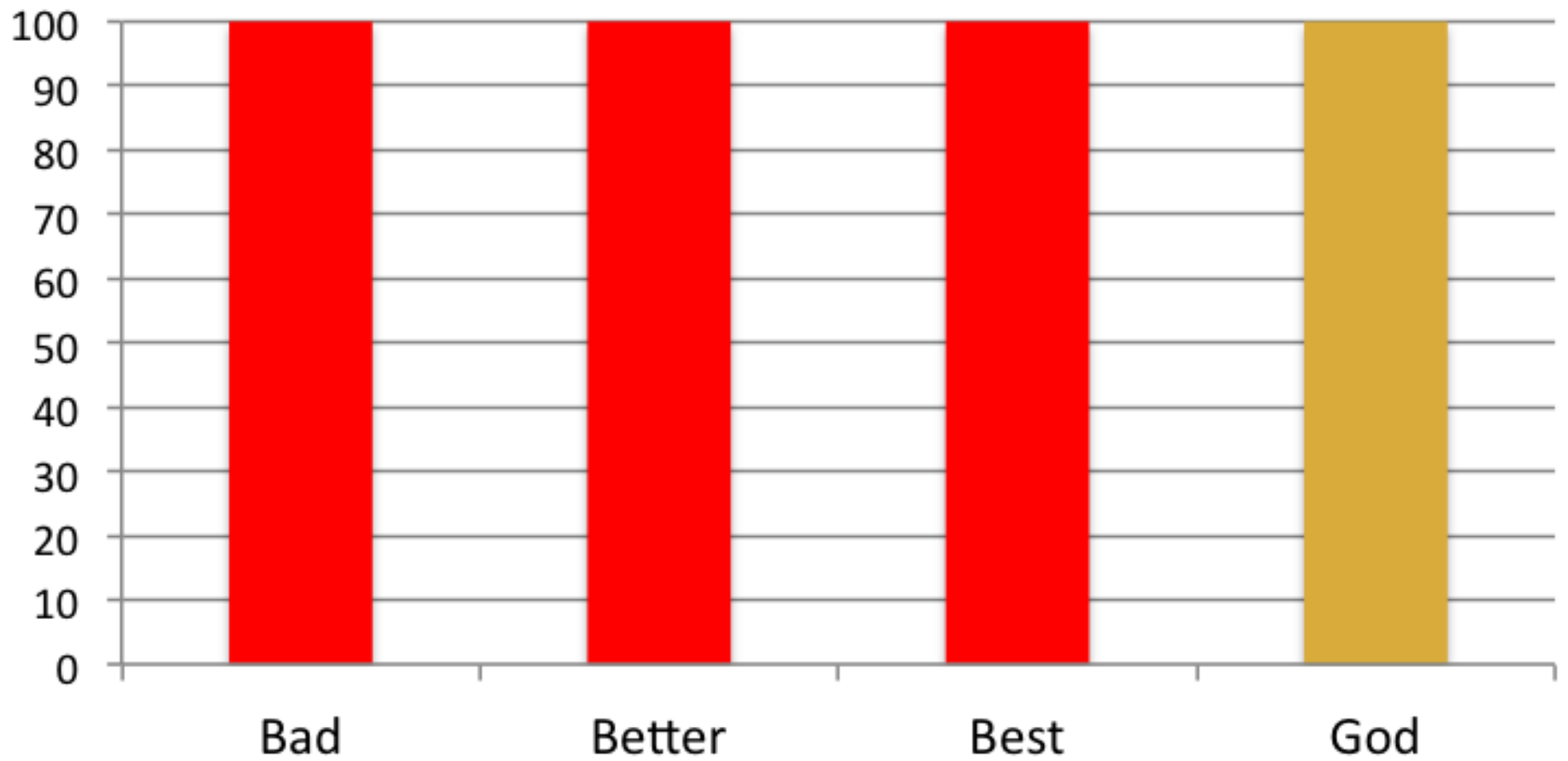
And to the one who does not work but trusts him who justifies the ungodly, his faith is counted as righteousness.

(Rom. 4:4-5)

Comparing Ourselves to God



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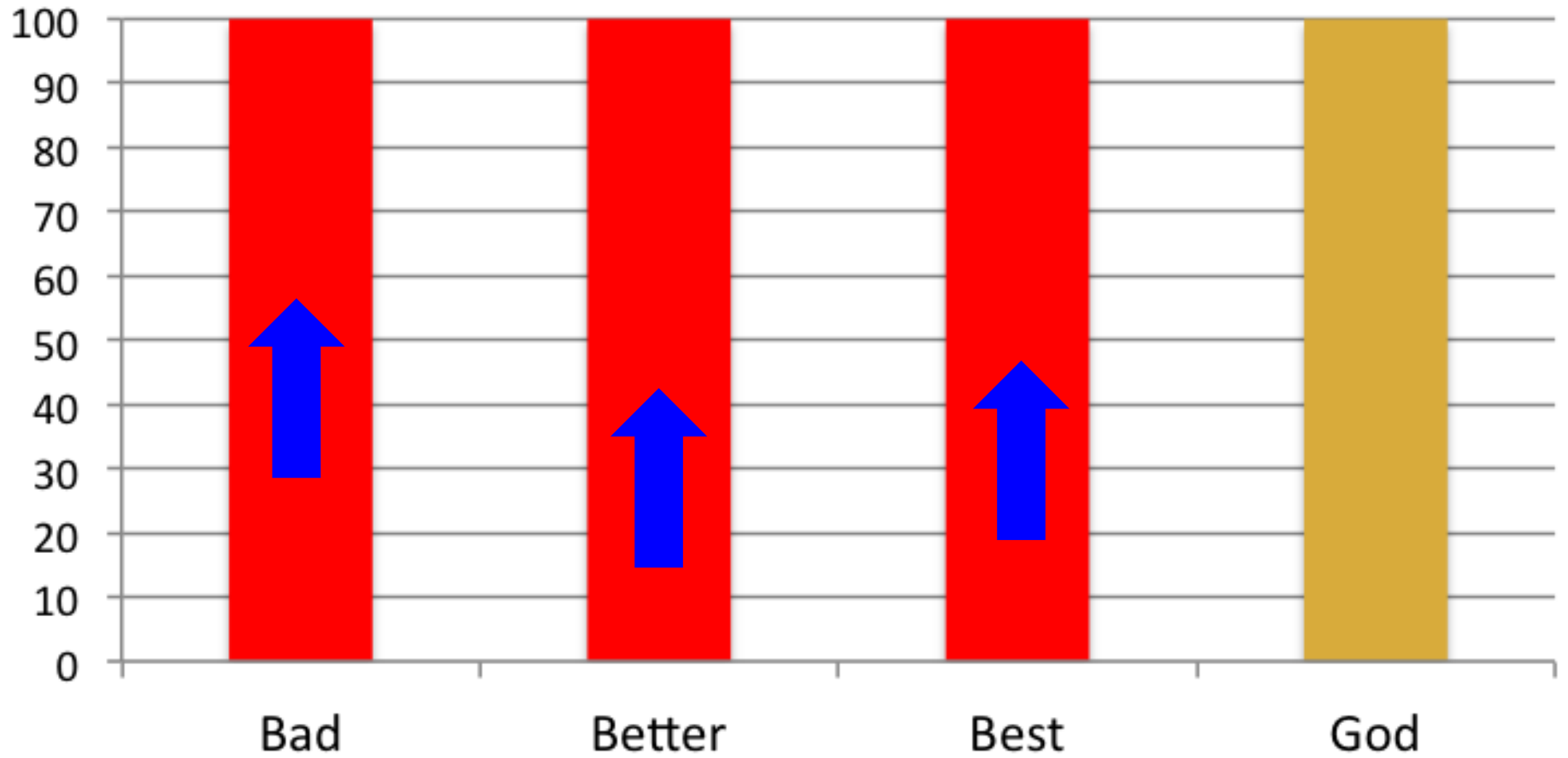


The devil made me do it?

Now if I do what I do not want,
it is no longer I who do it,
but sin that dwells within me.

(Rom. 7:20)

Growth



Have the promises to Israel failed?

So that you may not claim to be wiser than you are, brothers, I want you to understand this mystery: a hardening has come upon part of Israel, until the full number of the Gentiles has come in.

(Rom. 11:25)