

## THE WRATH OF GOD AGAINST THE IMMORAL SINNER Pt. 2 {The Righteousness of God Required #2 - Romans 1:21-32}

- I. **THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD INTRODUCED (Romans 1:1-17)**
- II. **SIN & CONDEMNATION - THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD REQUIRED (Romans 1:18-3:20)**
  - A. **The GUILTY VERDICT and JUDGMENT of GOD Against the IMMORAL SINNER. (1:18-32)**
    1. **God's wrath and truth is revealed and the inexcusability of sinful man. (1:18-20)**
      - a. **God's *righteous wrath* is revealed against all ungodliness {a lack of reverence toward God} and unrighteousness {that which violates God's righteous standards} of men {mankind} who suppress the truth in unrighteousness. (1:18)**
      - b. **God's *clear revelation* that all mankind possesses but suppresses. (1:19-20a)** Witness #1 of God: CONSCIENCE. (1:19; 2:14-16); Witness #2 of God: CREATION. (1:20)
      - c. **God's *just verdict* is "that they are \_\_\_\_\_." (1:20b)**
    2. **Man's downward spiral due to his suppression of God's revealed truth to *irrationality & idolatry*. (1:21-23) *because, although they knew* {about} **God** {due to conscience & creation}.**
      - a. ***they did* \_\_\_\_\_ {active voice - by their choice} *Him as God* {evidence of the suppression of truth - not honoring God for Who He is and what He has done or was doing},**
      - b. ***nor were* \_\_\_\_\_ {active voice - by their choice; expressing gratitude for His abundant and undeserved blessings in their lives}, **but** {in stark contrast}**
      - c. ***became* \_\_\_\_\_ {pass. voice; the consequences of their previous choices} **in their thoughts,****
      - d. ***and their foolish hearts* \_\_\_\_\_ {pass. voice; they went from light to darkness}**
      - e. **\_\_\_\_\_ {active voice; self-professing / claiming arrogantly} **to be wise,****
      - f. ***they became* \_\_\_\_\_ {pass. voice - due to their own arrogance; mentally & morally},**
      - g. ***and* {ex} \_\_\_\_\_ {active voice; to exchange one thing for another} **the glory** {doxa} **of the incorruptible** {incorruptible; immortal; invisible} **God** {the Creator} **into an image** {an idol} **made like corruptible man** {corruptible, decaying, mortal mankind due to the Fall} **-and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things.****

What have we learned so far about the wrath of God toward sinful man? God's wrath is \_\_\_\_\_ (1:18); it is \_\_\_\_\_ (1:19-23), and it is only avoided by \_\_\_\_\_ (1:15-16)

3. **God's righteous wrath is revealed in time as He GAVE THEM UP / OVER to willingly pursue the deviant path of destruction they desire as overtly expressed in:**
  - a. **RELIGIOUS \_\_\_\_\_ (1:24-25) *Therefore God also* \_\_\_\_\_ {His legal sentence & action - to hand them over or abandon them to pursue their destructive course of action} **to** \_\_\_\_\_ {moral defilement / corruption}, **in the** {sinful} \_\_\_\_\_ **of their hearts,** **to** \_\_\_\_\_ **their** {physical} \_\_\_\_\_ {heterosexual immorality involved in religious 'worship'}, **25 who** \_\_\_\_\_ {active voice} \_\_\_\_\_**

{this is a singular lie with the definite article - which lie? The original lie of Satan from the Garden of Eden - Gen. 3:5} **and worshiped and served the \_\_\_\_\_ rather than \_\_\_\_\_, who is blessed** {worthy of praise} **forever. Amen.**

- b. **PERVERTED \_\_\_\_\_**. (1:26 - 27) **For** {because of} **this reason** {their willing suppression of truth} \_\_\_\_\_ {2x; His legal sentence & action - to hand them over or abandon them to pursue their destructive course of action, in this case, regarding their bodies} **to \_\_\_\_\_** {degrading} **passions.**
- 1) **Regarding females - For even** {indicating the depth of depravity & loss of virtue} **their \_\_\_\_\_** {Gr. - genetic females - Gen. 1:27} \_\_\_\_\_ {1:23; by their own choice since it is not natural} **the \_\_\_\_\_** {produced or agreeable to their genetic nature; Gr. - in feminine gender} **for what is \_\_\_\_\_** {the sin of lesbianism} (1:26).
  - 2) **Regarding males - Likewise** {in the same way} **also the \_\_\_\_\_** {Gr. - genetic males}, \_\_\_\_\_ {to depart or abandon by choice} **the \_\_\_\_\_ use of the woman** {normal heterosexual relations}, \_\_\_\_\_ {passive voice; to become inflamed or consumed} **in their \_\_\_\_\_** {sinful passion} **for \_\_\_\_\_** {homosexual}, **men** {males} **with men** {males} **committing what is \_\_\_\_\_** {literally - no shame; shameless, indecent acts}, **and receiving in themselves the \_\_\_\_\_** {penalty or recompense of what is due or appropriate for the violation} **of their \_\_\_\_\_** {the going astray or perversion of God's standards} **which was due.** How does God describe homosexuality in these verses?
- c. **MORAL \_\_\_\_\_**. (1:28) **And even as they did not like to \_\_\_\_\_ in their \_\_\_\_\_** {acknowledge God in their perspective}, \_\_\_\_\_ {3x; His legal sentence & action - to hand them over or abandon them to pursue their destructive course of action, in this case, their minds} **to a \_\_\_\_\_** {adokimos - failing to pass the test of proper moral standards of evaluation} \_\_\_\_\_ {a mindset with the emphasis being on the ability to discern right from wrong, which results in ...}, **to \_\_\_\_\_** {by their own choice to do} **those things which are \_\_\_\_\_** {not morally right; further expressions of lawlessness}; Does this not describe the increasingly moral insanity of our country?
- d. **MORAL \_\_\_\_\_**. (1:29-31) The following is a list of **\_\_\_ sins or sinful qualities** targeting those who are abandoned to live practically under the domination of their sinful natures expressing their ungodliness & unrighteousness against God and man and, therefore, the appropriateness punishment of God's righteous judgment. **"being filled with all** {every kind of} **unrighteousness** {1:18 - violation of God's moral standards; lawlessness such as ...}, **sexual immorality** {of any kind}, **wickedness** {evil purposes & activity}, **covetousness** {greedy desires; discontentment}, **maliciousness** {desire to inflict injury, harm, or suffering on another}; **full of envy** {bitterness or hate that obtains or achieves something we desired}, **murder** {wrongful killing of another person}, **strife** {selfish quarreling; sowing discord}, **deceit** {guile, deception}, **evil-mindedness** {depravity of heart; inclinations to believe accusations}; **they are whisperers** {secret gossips}, <sup>30</sup> **backbiters** {defaming or slandering others}, **haters of God, violent, proud** {arrogant}, **boasters** {braggart; the verbal expression of arrogance}, **inventors** {contrivers} **of evil things, disobedient** {unsubmissive} **to parents,** <sup>31</sup> **undiscerning, untrustworthy** {promise-breakers}, **unloving** {without natural affection; heartless}, **unforgiving** {unwilling to forgive}, **unmerciful** {without mercy; ruthless}; Are you guilty of any of these sins against God & man?
- e. **MORAL \_\_\_\_\_**. (1:32) **who,** \_\_\_\_\_ {they are not ignorant - of what?} **the \_\_\_\_\_** {the just declaration or sentence of God} **that those who practice such things are \_\_\_\_\_, not only do \_\_\_\_\_** {sins} **but** {in stark contrast to God's verdict} **also \_\_\_\_\_** {heartily applaud, willingly consent, or give support} **of those who practice them.**

What does God want us to sense from this passage? That God is \_\_\_\_\_, & we are \_\_\_\_\_  
who are \_\_\_\_\_ of God's righteous judgment of \_\_\_\_\_ and in need of God's \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_, and even \_\_\_\_\_ as offered in the Gospel of Jesus Christ & His grace.