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Romans 1:18-32

Not _____ of a gospel that is centered on a crucified Savior

Without _____ the bad, we do not see our _____ for the good

Wrath: Gk. *orge* - God's righteous anger and just punishment in response to sin

The wrath of God (Rom 1:18-3:20)

- Paul's goal is not to proclaim the good news, but to demonstrate the _____ of the good news of salvation from God's righteous wrath

Ungodliness vs Unrighteousness

- Ungodliness: man's offenses against _____
- Unrighteousness: man's offenses against _____

God does not bend to cultural ____ - _____ and neither should the church

- Our culture has replaced God with a lie and Christians must respond in truth, in love, and in grace

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Sermon Talks

1. What caught your attention in this week's message? Was there something you had never heard before or something you had a question about?
2. Do you agree with the statement, "Without understanding the bad, we do not see our need for the good?" Why or why not.
3. What is your understanding of God's wrath? Has that changed after our study in Romans 1 today?
4. Paul says in verse 20 that people are without excuse. What argument does he use to make this claim? See Psalm 19:1-2.
5. In our study today, Paul is describing a culture that has exchanged God and His truth for a lie. How does that compare to our culture today?
6. List some examples of how our culture has exchanged God and His truth for a lie.
7. Why do you think God sometimes give people over to their sinful desires?
8. Read Matthew 11:28-30 and Romans 5:8-9. What encouragement can you take away from these verses? How can these verses help you to stand for Biblical truth in a way that honors the name of Jesus?
9. Our culture has replaced God with a lie and Christians must respond in truth, in love, and in grace. What are practical ways that Christians can respond?
10. Using Romans 5:8-9 as a foundation, pray for hurting people. In our church family, communities, and around the world. Pray that we would respond Biblically, exalting the name of Jesus.

Pray about it: Meditate on God's Word (Romans 1:18-32) and this week's message.

Adoration: What can I praise God for in light of what this teaches me?

Confession: What sin can I confess because of what this teaches me?

Thanksgiving: What can I thank God for in light of what he has done?

Supplication: What do I need to ask of God in order to grow in light of this?