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Romans 1:26-32

26 For this reason God gave them over to degrading
passions; for their women exchanged natural relations
for that which is contrary to nature, 27 and likewise the
men, too, abandoned natural relations with women and
burned in their desire toward one another, males with
males committing shameful acts and receiving in their
own persons the due penalty of their error.

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28 And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God,
God gave them up to a depraved mind, to do those
things that are not proper, 29 people having been filled
with all unrighteousness, wickedness, greed, and evil;
full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, and malice; they are
gossips, 30 slanderers, haters of God, insolent, arrogant,
boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents,

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31 without understanding, untrustworthy, unfeeling, and unmerciful; 32 and although they know the ordinance of God, that those who practice such things are worthy of death, they not only do the same, but also approve of those who practice them.

Reclaiming God's Humanity

Rom 1:26-32

Big Idea: In the face of the world's deliberate rejection of God, the Church must preach and reclaim a biblically inspired human dignity.

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1. The Continued Downward Spiral (vv.24-25)



1. Degrading Passions (vv.26-27):

These are passions that lower the status of the body from that which God has given it



2. A Depraved Mind (v.28):

Because they have rejected God as not worth reckoning with, God has delivered them into a condition…



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…in which their minds are fit only to be rejected as worthless, useless for their proper purpose, disreputable.”
--C.E.B. Cranfield



3. A Litany of Sins (vv.29-32):

All of these are derivatives of rejecting truth, pushing God away, and if habitual, are indicators of a mind that is morally bankrupt

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2. The Return to Biblical Humanism



The Imago Dei: Image of God

- Humanity Uniquely Reflects God



The Imago Dei: Image of God

- Every Human Being Possess Equal Dignity



The Imago Dei: Image of God

- Humanity Represents God's Rule in Creation



The Imago Dei: Image of God

- The Image is Damaged but not Erased by Sin



The Imago Dei: Image of God

- Christ is the Perfect Image and Restorer