

No Excuses—Innate Knowledge of God

Romans 1:18–20

The Truth Chosen for Wrath

Paul's Use of Wrath in Romans

- **Romans 2:5, 8** – ‘...you are storing up wrath for yourself on the day of wrath when God’s righteous judgment will be revealed.’ ‘...for those who are self-seeking and do not obey the truth, but obey unrighteousness, there will be wrath and fury.’
- **Romans 3:5** – ‘But if our unrighteousness serves to show the righteousness of God, what shall we say? That God is unrighteous to inflict wrath on us?’
- **Romans 4:15** – ‘For the law brings wrath, but where there is no law there is no transgression.’
- **Romans 5:9** – ‘Since, therefore, we have now been justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God.’
- **Romans 12:19** – ‘Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, “Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord.”’

How does the Apostle Paul think about God’s wrath?

God’s Wrath in the Old and New Testaments

How is God’s wrath executed in the Old Testament? New Testament?

What is salvation from in the Old Testament? New Testament?

God's Wrath in Romans 1

- **Romans 1:18** – ‘For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth.’

Why does God's wrath come upon the ungodly?

The Truth Denied from Creation

- **Romans 1:19-20** – ‘For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made...’

Why don't people want to acknowledge God's eternal power?

Why don't people want to acknowledge God's divine nature?

The Consequence of Choices

- **Romans 1:20** – ‘...So they are without excuse.’

Who are without excuse?
