

Study 3
Small Group Study

ROMANS

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The Condition of Humanity - The need for salvation Part 1 (1:18-32)

Part 1 The condition of the culture (1:18 - 25)

1. Man's rebellion (18-25)
 - A. They have become enemies of the truth (18b)
 - B. They have rejected the most basic revelation of God (19-20).
 - C. They have consciously and intentionally become idolatrous (21-23)
 - D. Therefore God is allowing them to experience the consequences of their rebellion (24-32)

Key Words / Phrases

1. "Wrath of God"
2. "who suppress the truth"
3. "His invisible attributes are clearly seen"
4. "They are without excuse"
5. "became futile in their thoughts"
6. "Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness"

Application Questions

1. In what ways have you observed the suppression of God's truth in the culture? When you observe this how should you react? Note: Think of Daniel and the three Hebrew young men who faced many challenges as captives in Babylon.
2. How does one go from suppressing truth to know truth and surrendering to it?
3. In what ways have you seen the attributes of God in creation, what does this mean to you?
4. If God is love, how can He pour out His wrath upon people? Verse 20 "*so that they are without excuse*"
5. How can our Idolatry affect not being able to except God's wrath?
6. Can you think of situations recently where you are tempted to actively suppress the truth of God in order to justify doing something sinful? How can we embrace God's truth in those moments so that we act in accordance with righteousness?