Paul’s Letter to the Romans: Pursuing Righteousness from God

“The Gospel and God’s Wrath”

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Romans 1:18-20

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A. There is nothing funny about the _______ of _______.
B. The Bible is filled with warnings about God’s _______ and eternal _______.
C. Beginning in Romans 1:18 and going through 3:21, Paul will lay out the fact that the _______ world, the _______ world, and the _______ world is guilty.
D. Romans 1:18-32 can be divided into three basic parts:
   1. God’s wrath against _______ and its _______ (1:18-20).
   2. People’s suppression of the _______ and its _______ (1:21-31).
   3. A final concluding _______ (1:32).
E. God’s reaction to sin is not the “_______” of an emotional person, but is the necessary reaction of a _______ God to sin.
F. “God’s wrath is His _______ hostility toward sin in all its various manifestations.” (Ray Pritchard)
G. In verses 18-20, Paul wants to establish that God’s wrath is _______ because it comes against those who _______ it because they know the _______.
H. Paul says that God’s wrath falls on people who “_______” the truth.
I. In verses 21-23, Paul explains that there is a natural progression that occurs when people reject God: suppression of the truth leads to _______, which leads to _______, which leads to _______, which leads to _______.
J. When people turn away from _______, they always turn to _______ else.
K. In verses 24-31, Paul uses a repeating _______ that includes the phrase “God gave them _______” and reveals the devastating “_______” that occurs.
L. The present wrath that God visits on sinful humanity consists of letting humanity have its _______ _______.
M. The future wrath that God will visit on sinful humanity will be the eternal place _______ of the _______ of God for those who have rejected God.
N. The first formula with the “exchange” focuses on _______.
O. The second formula with the “exchange” also shows the connection between idolatry and _______ _______.
P. Paul emphasized God’s created intention for proper sexuality by clarifying what are “_______” relations and “_______” relations.
Q. In the final formula in verses 28-31, we see that the result of rejecting God leads to a _______ mind which results in all kinds of _______ - total _______.
R. In verse 32, there is an unexpected concluding indictment - the lowest place of humanity is where evil is _______ and _______ as if it were good.
S. God has provided a way for all sinners to be _______ and stand _______.
T. Romans 3:22-25 reveals that Jesus is our _______ - atoning sacrifice.