

SERMON OUTLINE/NOTES

"Rejection and Wrath"

Romans 1:18-23

Introduction

- "If God is so good why does he send people to Hell?"
- How can we truly Appreciate the Good News unless We Understand just How Good the Good News is? (John 9:41; Matthew 9:12-13)
- The Desperate State of Mankind is Described from Chapter One, verse 18 to Chapter 3, verse 18

I. Man Suppresses the Truth in Unrighteousness (vs. 18-23)

- Man Rejects the Truth that Revealed in Creation (v. 19-20)
 - Man Rejects What He Knows to be True as God's Image Bearer (v. 19)
 - Man Rejects What is Clearly Seen in the Visible Things Around him - The Invisible Attributes of God (v. 20; Psalm 104; Isaiah 40:26; Psalm 19:1-3; Genesis 1:16; Isaiah 42:5; Job 34:12, 14-15; Deuteronomy 32:4; Job Chapters 38-41) (See also, Isaiah 40:12, 22, 26-31; Matthew 6:26; Psalm 139:13-14; 104:1-35; 111:2-10; 145:14-16)
- Man Seek to Exalt Himself and His Opinions above God (vs. 21-22)
 - Pride and Ingratitude – The Seedlings of Sin in "Foolish Hearts" (v. 21; John 3:19; Genesis 3:1-6)
 - Claiming to be Wise they become Fools (v. 22)
- Changes "the Glory of God into an Image made like Corruptible (Perishable) Man (v. 23)
 - Includes will-worship or self-worship

II. We Should be Asking, "Why Should God save anyone?" We have Given God more Reasons to send us to Hell than to Love Us

- Salvation only by the Grace of God (John 3:16; Romans 5:8)
- By the Blood of Christ Men are Washed Clean (Titus 3:4-7) - by the Holy Spirit Made alive from Being Dead in Trespasses and Sin (Ephesians 2:1-7, Granted a Repentant Heart (2 Timothy 2:25) and Given the Gift of Faith (Ephesians 2:8-9)

Conclusion/Application

- Repent of Your Sins and turn to God by faith in Jesus Christ and You can Assured that by the Blood of Jesus your sins will be forgiven and washed away as far as the east is from the west (1 John 1:9; Psalm 103:12)