

Paul's Epistle to the **ROMANS**

Lesson 3 - Romans 1:18-32

Assignments

1. Memorize Romans 1:18 and write Romans 1:16-18 from memory in the space below.

2. Use your ***Romans Scripture Journal*** to mark up the text and make notes about the text. Be prepared to share with the class your *observations* of the text. (e.g. Questions you have about the text; things you have never noticed before; things you have been reminded of that are important; repeated or key words, phrases, concepts, etc.; important concepts/ideas used outside of Romans; things that impressed you; something you learned about God, Jesus, the Holy Spirit; something you learned about yourself from the text; etc.)

Questions

1. First, write down your own understanding/definition of what you think “wrath” is. Now, look up the definition of “wrath” (ὀργή; orgē) and write it down. How does it compare to your understanding?

2. How does Paul talk about “wrath” in all of the other times he mentions it in his letter to Romans? (Romans 1:18; 2:5-8; 3:5; 4:15; 5:9; 9:22; 12:19; 13:4-5)

3. How is truth suppressed (silenced)?

4. What specific truth is Paul talking about that is suppressed?

5. Explain Paul’s point in verse 20 and how it relates to “the wrath of God” and the truth.

6. In what ways does Paul say “the truth of God” was “exchanged for a lie”? What are the lies he specifically mentions?

7. How many times in this text does Paul say, “God gave them up”? To whom is he referring? To what things did God “give them up”? Why did God give them up and what is meant by that? What is *not* meant by that?

8. Paul specifically addresses men and women relationships in vv 24-27. What kind of relationship is he talking about? List the negative references in this text. Why is this included as being under “God’s wrath”?

9. Paul gives a list of “unrighteousness” in vv. 29-32. What might the world order them from worst to least worst? What does Paul say is the result of each one?