

DON'T BE GOD FORSAKEN

Discerning God's Wrath

I. God's Wrath

A. Definition of "wrath"

1. Old Testament usage
 - a. It is always used of God's _____
 - b. Often this anger is expressed toward _____
2. New Testament usage
 - a. The Greek terms are "orge" and "thumos" meaning _____ and righteous _____
 - b. God's wrath is connected to His _____
3. Summary definition: Wrath is the temporal _____ and display of _____ against human _____

B. Man's wrath

1. General wrath of man
 - a. It is a _____ and real thing
 - b. You are to _____ to the Lord
 - c. It quickly becomes _____ when you _____ on to it
 - (1) It does not _____ the righteousness of God
 - (2) It is identified as _____ and something to be _____
2. Human government wrath of man (Rom 13:1-7)
 - a. Government is a Divine Institution (vs 1b)
 - b. All humans are to be subject to their governing authorities (1a)
 - c. The purpose of government is to keep _____ in check so that _____ can flourish (vs 3-5)
 - (1) This is original mandate for government from God
 - (2) Rulers are to be a _____ for those who do evil by afflicting _____ upon them
 - (3) Part of the authorities responsibility is to promote and encourage _____

(a) This includes executing _____ and defending the _____

(b) This includes safeguarding human _____

Why governments should protect human liberty:

[1] Because God created all humanity to be _____

[2] Because God gave humanity _____

[3] Because humanity has freedom of _____

[4] Because _____ and _____ are always viewed negatively in Scripture

[5] Because _____ is viewed positively in Scripture

C. Satan's wrath (Rev 12:12)

D. God's wrath

1. Present general wrath (Rom 1:18-32)

a. The timing of this wrath

* This wrath is _____, in the _____

b. The offense

* This wrath has found its justification in _____ of the truth of God

c. The offenders

* This wrath is _____ unregenerate humanity

d. The nature of this wrath

(1) It is totally _____

(2) It is expressed in the _____ of men to sin

* Principle: God's wrath often involves _____ (Matt 27:46)

e. The purpose of this wrath

* This wrath serves as _____

f. The reality of this wrath (John 3:36)

2. Past specific wrath

a. The Genesis Flood

b. Sodom and Gomorrah

c. Wrath towards Israel

3. Future awaiting wrath

a. The tribulation period

b. Final individual judgments