

God Rejected, Sin Expected: Truth, Sin and Consequences
Romans 1:24-32
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Why do we preach straight through books of the Bible?

Why does sin always seem to grow?

Paul now demonstrates that all men need this salvation.

If you do not submit your thoughts to God, you will submit them to something.

Wrath is God's righteous opposition to evil. If you reject the light, you will walk in darkness.

God has created us male and female,

Notice the repeated pattern in the text, 21-24, 25-27, 28-31.

- 1) A knowledge of God is given, v 21, 25, 28.
- 2) That knowledge of God is rejected by fallen men.
- 3) Then God, in his justifiable wrath, gives them over,

God Gives Them Over (3 times in the text)

Why? Because they have rejected the knowledge of God.

They accept sticks and stones as god! (Isaiah 44:13-19)

God gives over in two ways:

- Physical degradation v 24, 26
- Mental degradation v 28
- Both lead to encouraging others to greater sin. v 32

Sins corruption takes many forms: but Homosexuality is contrary to the realm of nature.

The Bible regarding homosexuality. (Lev 18:22; 20:13; 1 Timothy 1:8-10; 1 Cor 6:9-10)

Arguments for homosexuality answered

Two consenting adults can do anything.

Biblical prohibitions 1) are expired, 2) misunderstood 3) or culture bound

God created me gay, it must be good.

There is a gay gene.

My identity is my sexual preference.

What is our identity? Who are we? How were we created?

All believers must fight their predisposition to sin.

Gay relationship can be committed, monogamous, and loving.

Church should love and accept, not condemn.

What should the Christian's attitude be toward those tempted with homosexual sin?

God gives them over to shameful lusts, and also to mental folly.

Mental degradation "God gave them over to a depraved mind."
Sinking into sin drowns the mind.
When you cast off truth, you fly into falsehood.

Our society is pushing the acceptance of many kinds of sin.

Much of the church has followed. But, The Word of God has not changed.

What is Paul's Main Point in all of this?

All men have sinned and need the gift of divine righteousness.

Sin is addictive. We all find ourselves somewhere on the slippery slope that slides to destruction.

Sin is at work in our lives and in our culture. So is righteousness.

Embrace the gospel.