

## Christianity vs. the World "God's Wrath on Atheism and Idol Worship" Romans 1:19-25

The Revelation (vv.19-20)

Psa. 19:1-2 The heavens declare the glory of God, and the sky above proclaims his handiwork. 2 Day to day pours out speech, and night to night reveals knowledge.

Atheistic view of God and creation - nonexistent. Darwinism or evolution is true.

Science's "cause and effect"

- 1. Everything that begins to exist had a cause of its existence.
- 2. The universe began to exist.
- 3. Therefore the universe had a cause of its existence.

The Reaction (vv. 21-23)

"Conscience is the inner voice which warns us that someone may be looking." - HL Mencken -

The Result (vv. 24-25)

**Food For Thought:** God condemns atheists and idol worshipers who suppress His revelation to them with His *terminal wrath* (withdrawal of grace) and *eternal wrath* – ultimately for the unrepentant idolater.

- 1. This may be the most descriptive passage in the Bible about the "fall of mankind". What did mankind do when give the truth (vv. 18-19?
- 2. As a consequence of failure to accept the truth, how did God respond (vv. 24, 26, 28)?
- 3. What created things are most tempting fro you to idolize? Money? Worldly pleasures? Food? Toys? Work?

## Bible Text Romans 1:19-25 (ESV)

19 For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown it to them. 20 For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. 21 For although they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened. 22 Claiming to be wise, they became fools, 23 and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals and creeping things.

24 Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the dishonoring of their bodies among themselves, 25 because they exchanged the truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen.

## **Summer at C.C.C Continues!**

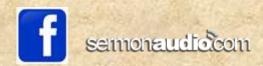
Next Sunday: A Special Message. Sunday's messae will come to us from a guest and excellent Bible teacher in our community, who will serve us a message on wisdom that will provide an appropriate close to our *Christianity vs. The World* series

Coming soon: The Great I Am. Sunday, September 14th, we return to our study of the Gospel of John and our walk together through the ministry of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, so "that by believing (we) may have life in His name." Invite friends and family to the Summer at CCC in the quest to make disciples and get answers to such questions

Pray as you go (Coram Deo) this week:

Pray for God's grace and wisdom to fall on our student partnership and ministry which launches this school year on our meeting campus, September 4<sup>th</sup>. Pray God will use our ministry to bring lost students and perhaps even faculty and administrators to Christ.

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Pastor Bernie's weekly "My Captive Thought" blog is available on-line at http://mycaptivethought.wordpress.com/.

Christ Community Church Web Page

Please be sure to visit our recently updated web page!

Lots of information and quick links to selected sermons in English and

Spanish. Links to our Facebook page, sermon audio page, and Pastor Bernie's

Blog. Be sure to check out the Announcements to keep up with our current series and what's next!

Our Mission: Christ Community Church exists to worship God, fellowship in community and build the body of Christ by making disciples, baptizing them and teaching them until the Lord Jesus Christ returns (Acts 2:42-47, Mt. 28:18-20, Eph. 4:11-16).

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And they continued steadfastly in the apostles doctrine and fellowship, in the breaking of bread and prayers. – Acts 2:42 (NKJV)