

**Revelation of  
the Wrath of God**

**Romans 1:18-32**

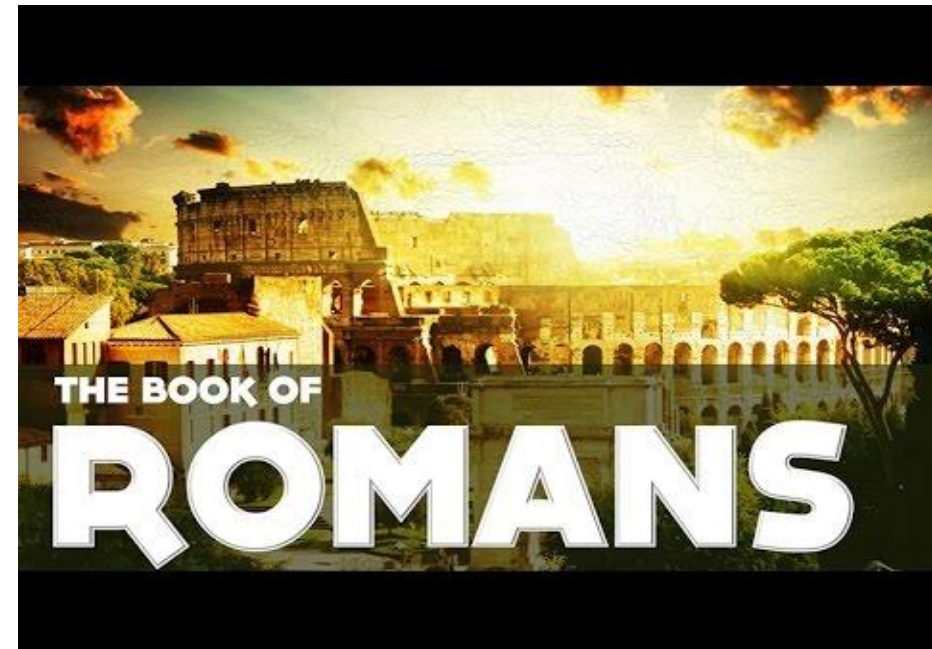


THE BOOK OF

**ROMANS**

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# **Romans 1:1-17**

## **Be Not Ashamed of the Gospel**

**For it is...**

*The Power of God to Save  
Everyone from the Wrath of God.  
Righteousness of God Received  
and Live by Faith First to Last.*



**Romans 1:18-32**  
**Revelation of**  
**The Wrath of God**

- ***What is this wrath of God that we are being saved from?***
- ***Why everyone need this gospel to be saved***

**Diagnosis:** *All humanity whether Jews or Gentiles have sin and are in need of salvation*



# **Revelation of The Wrath of God**

## **Romans 1:18-32**

- **The Revelation of God's Wrath**  
*Against what are God's wrath revealed*
- **The Reason of God's Wrath**  
*Why is God angry?*
- **The Results of God's Wrath**  
*How is the wrath revealed/unfolded*



# **The Revelation of God's Wrath**

***The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness***

**God reveals, shows forth,  
unveils His anger NOW**

***God is holy, and His holiness requires abhorrence to sin.***



**God's wrath is not the  
same as human wrath**

*Not Vindictive Nor Personal*

**God's Wrath  
is Directed at Evil**

**J.I. Packer**

*“God's wrath in the Bible is never the capricious, self-indulgent, irritable, morally ignoble thing that human anger so often is. It is, instead, a right and necessary reaction to objective moral evil.”*



# The Object of His Wrath

## Ungodliness

(Sin against God)

*Doing things our ways*

*Lives as if God does not exist*

## Unrighteousness

(Sin against men)

*Doing the wrong things*

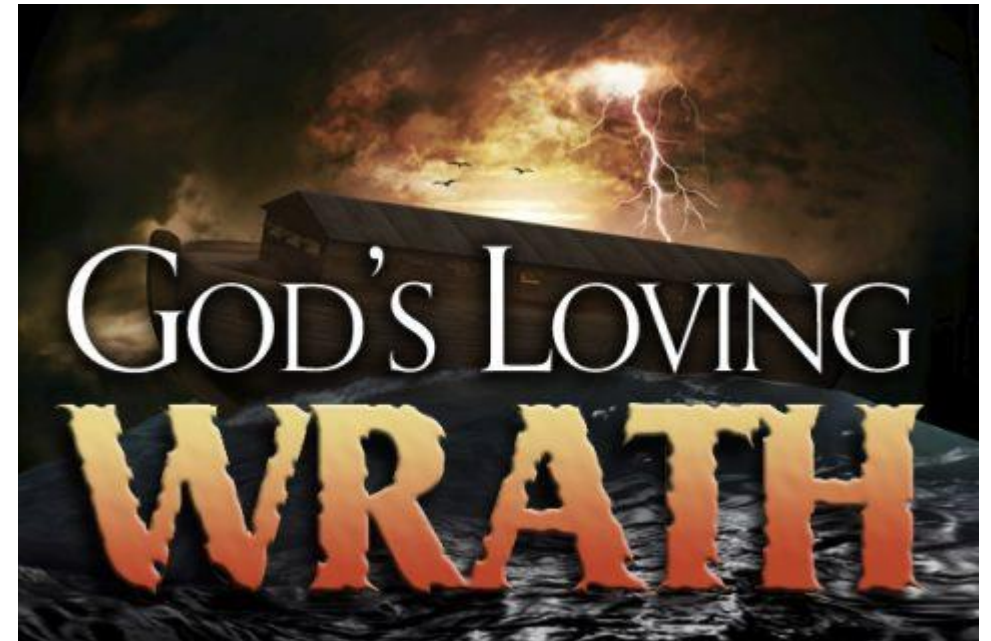




**God's wrath is His love  
in action against sin**

**Charles Cranfield**

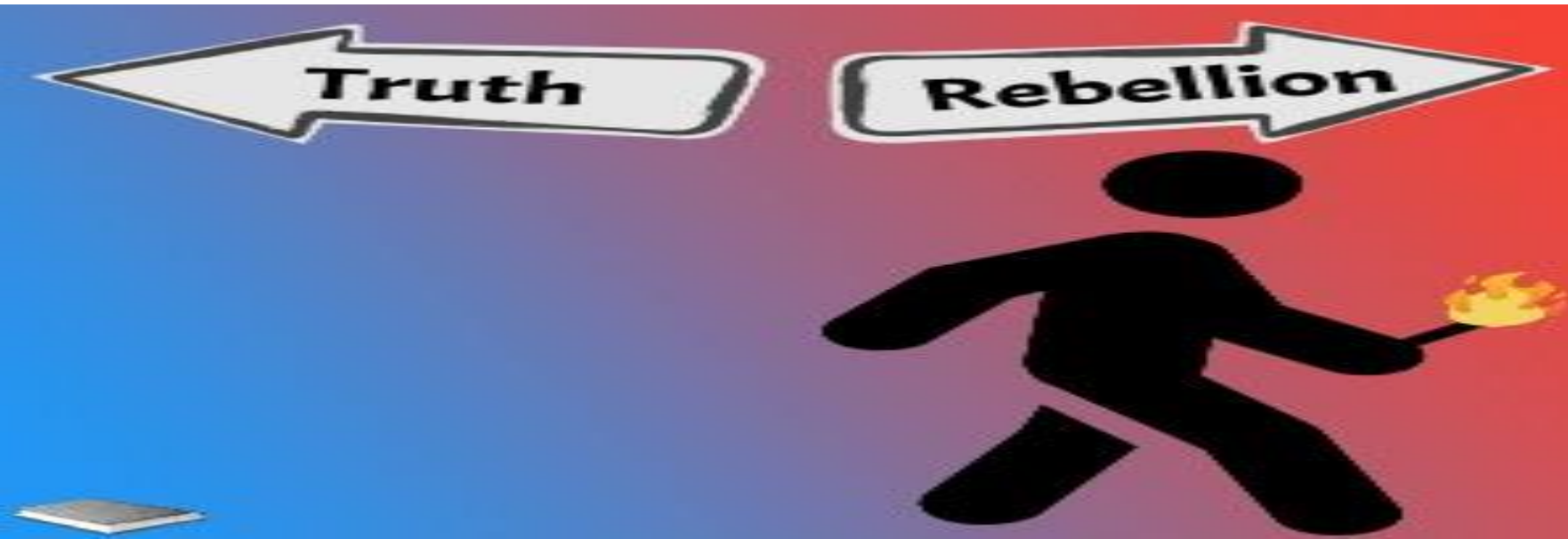
*“His wrath is not something which is inconsistent with His love: on the contrary, it’s an expression of His love. It’s precisely because He loves us truly and seriously and faithfully that He is angry with us in our sinfulness.”*



# The Reason of God's Wrath

***People Suppress the Truth of God***

**Refuse to acknowledge God  
and to follow and worship Him.**



## **People has no excuse!**

***<sup>19</sup> since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them. <sup>20</sup> For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities— his eternal power and divine nature—have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.***

**God made Himself visible and knowable through His creation**



**Beauty & Balance,  
Intricacy & Intelligibility  
of the Universe!**

# Creation Reveals the Glory of God

*God's invisible qualities—  
his eternal power and divine nature*

## **Psalm 19:1**

*The heavens declare the glory  
of God; the skies proclaim the  
work of his hands.*

## **Isaiah 6:3**

*'Holy, holy, holy is the LORD Almighty;  
the whole earth is full of his glory.'*



## **Consequences of such Ignorance/Arrogance**

***21 For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened.***

***22 Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools.***

**Separated from God  
and live independent  
of Him by sin**



**They were deceived!**  
*Empty minds, darkened  
hearts, blinded fools*

# Results of God's Wrath

## How is it Revealed?

### **The threefold refrain**

*'God have them over'*

*Because man has given God up  
(V23, 25, 28).*

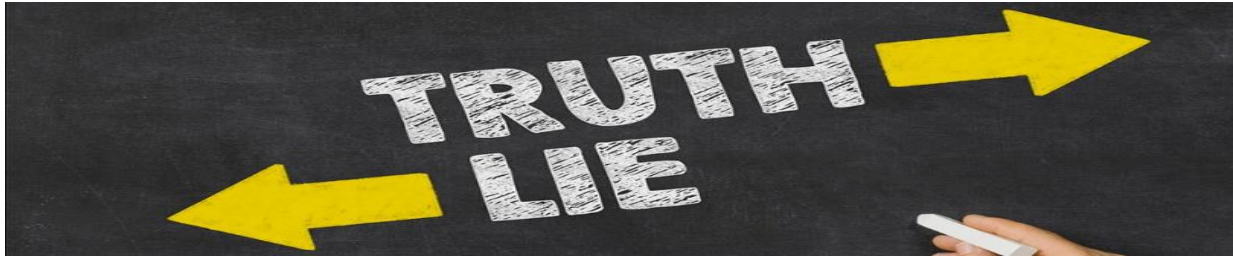
*God gives man up (V24, 26, 28).*

***“Let people do what they  
want and suffer their own  
erroneous actions”***



## **Terrible Threefold Refrain**

*'God have them over'*



***V23 They exchanged the image and glory of God with substitutes***

***V24 God gave in to their sinful sexual desires***

***V25 They exchanged God's truth for a lie***

***V26 God gave in to their shameful degrading passion***

***V28 They did not see it fit to retain the knowledge of God***

***V28 God gave them over to an unfit mind.***

**This led to idolatry,  
immorality, and  
social ills**

**Idolatry**

*Worship and serve created things rather than the Creator*

**Sexual Perversion of  
Homosexuality**

**Social Ills from  
Depravity/Corruption**





## **Vice List of 21 Immoral Acts**

*<sup>29</sup> They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity.*

*They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit and malice. They are gossips, <sup>30</sup> slanderers, God-haters, insolent, arrogant and boastful; they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents; <sup>31</sup> they have no understanding, no fidelity, no love, no mercy.*

**A wicked world of greed and envy, murder and deceit, anger and strife, arrogant and slander, undiscerning and untrustworthiness, heartless and ruthless.**

# **A Terrible Conclusion!**

*Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practice them.*

**It Got Worse!**

**A flagrant disregard  
of God's judgment**



## **What We Learned:**

**Humans are guilty of  
ungodliness and  
unrighteousness deserving  
God's wrath**

**They cannot save themselves  
*They need the gospel of grace***



# His Amazing Grace

***By exchanging of the wrath  
with the righteousness of God  
through the gospel of grace***

