



The Reason for God's Wrath

Romans 1:18-23

Suppressing the Truth

- Men are not condemned for their rejection of Jesus, but for rejecting the revelation that they do know about God.
- An unrighteous person will “*suppress the truth by their wickedness.*”
- The truth is suppressed by ignoring it, burying it, or keeping it from others.
- The truth is that God has revealed Himself to all people.

Natural Revelation



- God's truth can be found inside each person.
- We have a sense of right and wrong, but that can be changed.
- "*Natural Revelation*" states that God is revealed in the natural world around us.
- There is not enough in *Natural Revelation* to tell someone how to approach God or be saved.

Special Revelation



- Special revelation means God revealed Himself to us in His Word where we find Jesus, the only means of salvation.
- God has revealed Himself in such a way to hold all people accountable.
- God has shown Himself to the world in order for His truth to be seen, but man has chosen to suppress God's truth.

Perverting God's Glory

- Everyone, whether they admit it or not, has knowledge of God.
- In rejecting and suppressing the knowledge and truth of God, people claim to be wiser than God.
- It's not that people lack knowledge of God; they just reject that knowledge.
- God is not given the glory that is due to Him.
- Man perverts God's glory by corrupting it as he tries to glorify himself.

Conclusion

- We have the promise God made in Jeremiah 29:13, *“You will seek me and find me when you seek me with all your heart.”*
- We must have faith that He is.
- God sent Jesus through whom we can have salvation.
- What will we do with the information that God has revealed about Himself?