Believers Bible Fellowship September 15, 2002

THE WRATH OF GOD Romans 1:18-32

- The Ungodliness of Man
- The Unrighteousness of Man

Key Verse: Romans 1:18 for the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness.

- I. Man is without excuse:
- A. The Revelation of God: verse 20
 - 1. The Light of Creation
 - 2. The Light of Conscience
 - 3. The Light of Christ
- B. Characteristics of Ungodliness: verses 21-23 "Man's attitude toward God"
 - 1. The Deposition of God: they remove God from his throne
 - 2. The Depreciation of God: they under mind and belittle God
 - 3. The Defamation of God: they destroy the good fame of God
 - 4. The Desecration of God: they violate the sanctity of God
 - 5. The Disputation of God: they engage in harmful debate
 - 6. The Deformation of God: they alter and form God into things
- II. Three times God gave them up:
- C. Characteristics of Unrighteousness: verses 24-32 "Man's action toward others"
 - 1. Sensual Idolatry: promoting nude books, films, plays, etc.
 - 2. Sexual Impurity: practicing debase and unnatural involvement in sex
 - 3. Social Insanity: injustice, greed and hatred

Application: Absence of God is destructive to human life. Where does all the violence, immorality, cruelty and degradation come from? Men have abandoned the true knowledge of God, and the state of society is a reflection of God's judgment upon them for this.