

# GOD'S WRATH AND THE PAGAN

Romans 1:18-32

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"The wrath of God is being revealed . . ." — Romans 1:18a

The descent into paganism — three steps toward wrath . . .

## I. The pagan rejects the \_\_\_\_\_ of God.

Romans 1:18

- A. The wrath of God: more than a temper \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Truth about "truth": people \_\_\_\_\_ want to know.
- C. No \_\_\_\_\_: everyone knows there is a God.

Romans 1:19-20

## II. The pagan worships \_\_\_\_\_ instead of God.

Romans 1:21-25

- A. When we \_\_\_\_\_ the Creator, we worship creation.

## III. The pagan becomes \_\_\_\_\_ in both thinking and living.

Romans 1:26-32

- A. God is never passive about \_\_\_\_\_. He "gave them over."  
Romans 1:28-32
- B. Ultimate \_\_\_\_\_ flows from rejection of God.

The Christian response to homosexuality . . .

## I. Argument 1: "Homosexuality is not a \_\_\_\_\_, it's \_\_\_\_\_."

- A. Obviously, some \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Others do \_\_\_\_\_, and would not, choose.

### The Christian response:

- A. No sexual orientation – chosen or genetic – \_\_\_\_\_ us from living within God's moral boundaries.
- B. Just because we feel something is physically based or "natural" doesn't mean we should \_\_\_\_\_ it.
- C. It's always a question of \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.
- D. God's standard is very clear: "Sexuality is to be expressed in the context of one \_\_\_\_\_ with one \_\_\_\_\_ exclusively for a lifetime." (Genesis 1:27-28)

## II. Argument 2: "Homosexuals can't \_\_\_\_\_ even if they want to."

### The Christian response:

- A. God calls ALL of us to exhibit \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. God \_\_\_\_\_ commands us to do something we can't do.  
Titus 2:11-12
- C. God can \_\_\_\_\_ anyone!  
1 Corinthians 6:9-11

## III. Summary

- A. Our response as Christians: Love the \_\_\_\_\_, but not the \_\_\_\_\_.