



Series: Live by Faith

Title: The Wrath of God and Why We Need the Gospel

Scripture: Romans 1:18-32

April Memory Verse & 2025 Theme Scripture: Romans 1:16-17 (ESV) *For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."*

What is the gospel? (Romans 1:16-17)

- God created us to be with Him;
 - Our sins separate us from God;
 - Sins cannot be removed by good deeds or human effort;
 - Paying the price for sin, Jesus died and rose again;
 - Everyone who trusts in Him alone has eternal life;
 - Life with Jesus starts now and lasts forever
1. Good news isn't good until you understand the bad of the bad news. (vs. 1:18, 2:5)
 2. God reveals his perfect wrath to people who suppress the truth of God. (v. 18)
 - a. Sin problems are worship problems.
 3. What can be known about God is plain to all and all are without excuse to acknowledge God as God. (vs. 19-20)
 4. We were made to worship, so when we do not worship God as God, we exchange God for idols and worship them. (vs. 21-23)
 5. When we worship our idols, God simply turns us over to our desires and we are miserable. (vs. 24-25)
 - a. Idolatry leaves us restless and unfulfilled/unsatisfied.

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6. When we prioritize our desires over the Creator's design, disorder follows in every area of life: (vs. 26-31)
 - a. Sexual disorder (vs. 26-28)
 - b. Economic disorder (v. 29a)
 - c. Social disorder (vs. 29b-30a)
 - d. Spiritual disorder (v. 30b)
 - e. Family disorder (vs. 30c-31)

7. When we face the consequences of disorder and we do not repent, we look for others to join us and justify our disordered desires. (v. 32)

So what?

- Acknowledge our disordered desires and sin.
- Believe that God has declared our sin paid.
- Confess Jesus as LORD and Savior.
- Decide to Worship God in Spirit and Truth.