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Romans Chapter 1

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Introduction Summary

This chapter describes where we are today. We are at a place where wrong is celebrated as right and right is wrong. However, these Scriptures tell us the consequences of rejecting God's ways. Also, you will see key words that will help you understand the Scriptures more clearly.

- I. Rom. 1:1-5: A *servant* is appointed to be a special sent one.
 - A. Prophets brought forth the word by the Holy Ghost (2 Peter 1:21).
 - B. Rom. 1:3: The *Seed of David* is mentioned in Mat. 1:1.
 - C. *Power* is supernatural ability. The *Spirit of holiness* is the Holy Ghost (Phil. 2:10-13).
 1. When Jesus was raised from the dead, so were we (Eph. 1:17-25; 2:5).
 2. When He was declared to be the Son, we were declared to be sons of God.
 - D. Rom. 1:5: *Received* (Gk. lambano) means *accepted*.
 1. The grace of God is power to assist (Heb. 4:16).
 2. Rom. 1:6: We are called to the world, not just one group.
 - E. Rom. 1:7: *Grace* means *favor*.
- II. Rom. 1:8: We want our faith well-spoken of throughout the entire world.
 - A. Rom. 1:9-11: Mention nations in your prayer. Revelation from the Word is a gift.
 - B. Rom. 1:12: We comfort one another when we're together (Heb. 10:25).
 - C. Paul is called to the Gentiles, but he's writing this letter to Jews.
- III. Rom. 1:13-15: Anyone that is not a Jew or Greek is a Barbarian.
- IV. Rom. 1:16-17: The *gospel* is power (Gk. dunamis), *supernatural ability* (2 Cor 5:17).
 - A. A miracle happens every time someone is born again (Rom. 10:9).
 - B. *Salvation* (Gk. soteria) means *rescue, safety, deliverance, healing*.
 - C. Believing is the key; if you don't believe, you won't receive.
 - D. *Righteousness* (Gk. dikaiosynē) means *equity and justification*.
- V. Rom. 1:18-19: *Faith to faith* means *day to day*. *Live* means *lifetime*.
 - A. *Faith* (Gk. pistis) means *trust, confidence, belief, assurance*.
 - B. We don't walk by our senses; we walk by what we believe (2 Cor. 5:7).
 - C. There is the blessing side and the wrath side of God. It is revealed by the Word.
 1. Hold means to hold down or suppress. (John 17:17).

2. The wrath of God is against those who suppress the preaching of the Word.
 - D. Rom. 1:19-20: A person intuitively knows God created them.
 - E. Nature will tell you it (nature itself) was created by God.
 1. I was ice fishing in Alaska. One morning I came out of my tent and beheld the breathtaking scenery! Only a marvelous designer could have done that.
 2. The *Godhead* is the *Father, Son* and *Holy Ghost*. Man is without excuse.
 3. God expects you to pursue Him.
 - F. Rom. 1:21: *Imaginations* means *discussions, considerations, debates, reasonings, thinking*.
 1. We pray that God will give them light (Eph. 1:16-22; 1 Cor. 13:12; 2 Cor. 4:4).
 2. They decided there is no God and they became more foolish.
 3. Rom. 1:22: Butler translation: Calling themselves smart, they became stupid.
 4. Rom. 1:23: *Incorruptible* means *forever*.
- VI. Rom. 1:24-25: God did nothing to them; He gave them up. *Dishonor* means *despise*.
- A. The body is to be kept because it is holy (1 Cor. 3:16-17).
 - B. Sexual sin is sin against one's own body (1 Cor. 6:15-18).
 - C. *Worship* and *serve* are explosive words. The *creature* refers to their *bodies*.
 - D. Humanism is a religion; it teaches there is nothing higher than man.
- VII. Rom. 1:26-27: Again, we see that God gave them up to vile/shameful lusts.
- A. It is clearly wrong for women to be with women and men to be with men.
 - B. Today, you can be publicly penalized if you don't agree with homosexuality.
 - C. When you reject God in a certain area you lose light in that area.
 - D. *Unseemly* means *indecent* and *shameful*. *Themselves* refers to *their bodies*.
 - E. The result is sickness and disease that produce death.
- VIII. Rom. 1:28: God gave them over because they did not want to acknowledge Him.
- IX. Rom. 1:29-32: Reprobate means devoid of judgment.
- A. *Filled* is a key word. *Malice* means *depravity, malice, plots, sin, iniquity*.
 1. They want what others have and will do whatever they can to get it. They're filled with murder, deceit: they will trick a person in any conceivable way.
 2. *Whisperers* are people that say bad things about other people.
 - B. Rom. 1:30-31: *Backbiters* are those who will stab you in the back.
 - C. Kids are taught to disobey. *Without natural affection* means *insensitive to family*.
 - D. Rom. 1:32: *Knowing* is a key word. They *know* because they heard it preached.
- X. With the homosexual battle, they want everyone to become part of their sin. God loves the people but hates the sin, because sin has negative consequences for those that practice it.

Closing Summary

The Bible clearly discriminates between right and wrong. We stand with the Bible only. Study the Scriptures and don't let people use words against you. There is a force trying to drive the nation into darkness. But we already know that we win! Pray for the USA, that we continue to be a lighthouse of the gospel to the world.