

THE BOOK OF ROMANS STUDY

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO GRACE. THE JUST SHALL LIVE BY FAITH
- THE FOUNDATION OF NEW TESTAMENT THEOLOGY.

Romans 1:24-32

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

Behind The Mask? - Part 2

The Gospel of Grace, The Foundation of New Testament Theology
According to Grace By The Argumentation of the Apostle Paul

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Romans 1:24-32

Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves, 25 who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen. 26 For this reason God gave them up to vile passions. For even the women exchanged the natural use for what is against nature. (the sciences) 27 Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the women, burned in their lust for one another, men with men committing what is shameful, and receiving in themselves the penalty of their error which was due. 28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting; 29 being FILLED WITH all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; FULL OF envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil-mindedness; they are whisperers, 30 backbiters, haters of God, violent, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31 undiscerning, untrustworthy, unloving, unforgiving, unmerciful; 32 who, knowing THE RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT OF GOD, that those who practice such things are deserving of death, not only do the same - but also approve of those who practice them.

“On Good Friday April 8, 1966, TIME magazine published its famously controversial cover story, “Is God Dead?” Placing that stark query in bold red lettering against an all-black background, TIME informed its readers...

<https://religionandpolitics.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/10/TIME-Cover-550-x-358.jpg>

that those “three words represent a summons to reflect on the meaning of our

existence." Written by TIME's religion editor, John Elson, the article attempted to capture *the nation's shifting theological mood from the complacent faith of the 1950s to the metaphysical confusion of the 1960s*. The cover itself quickly became an icon of *the period's social and religious transformations* - John Lennon suggested that the Beatles were more popular than Jesus Christ among contemporary youth. Elson framed his story as a clarion of the "new atheism" of the 1960s, - a testimony to *a cultural crisis of faith in which the very premise of a personal God was coming undone.*"

Psalm 14:1-3

The fool has said in his heart, "There is no God." They are corrupt, They have done abominable works, There is none who does good. 2 The LORD looks down from heaven upon the children of men, To see if there are any who understand, who seek God. 3 They have all turned aside, They have together become corrupt; There is none who does good, No, not one.

Behind The Mask

1.) Is the abuse

vs. 24-25

Behind The Mask Is The Abuse

1a.) Abuse of the soul

vs. 24a

Romans 1:24

24a Therefore God also gave them up

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1b.) Abuse of the body

vs. 24b-25a

24b to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to DISHONOR THEIR BODIES among themselves, 25a who exchanged the truth of God for the lie,

"to DISHONOR THEIR BODIES among themselves"

They team up with one another with the intent to;
mismanage their bodies, to hurt their bodies, to degrade their bodies,
to use their bodies, to break their bodies, to misuse,
molest & undo their bodies

AT WHAT COST DOES THIS MESSAGE COST ME ?

listen to me – I'm not stupid and I am not naïve about what I'm saying here.
If I truly love Jesus and the lost, He came to rescue and to save,
then I must speak His truth to you – If not me, then who.

Can I get banned from media by Google and YouTube and Facebook
for saying this? – *I most likely will.*

Can I get threatened or physically attacked for what I am saying to you today? - *I most likely will.*

Jude 1:22-23

On some have compassion, making a distinction (*make a judgment call*);
23 but others save with fear *phobos – the blunt or brutal truth*, pulling them out of the
fie, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh.

uncleanness grk: akatharsia
impurities, tainted, a mixed or polluted version,
impure metals. (contaminants)

lusts grk: epithumia
inflamed passion, to strike the match.

1 Corinthians 6:18

Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits
sexual immorality sins against his own body.

dishonor grk: atimazo
to devalue or treat yourself or another in an unworthy
manner, to treat another shamefully, to use someone for your
own pleasure, to hold on in contempt, to deconstruct.

exchanged grk: metallasso (meta / lasso)
to attempt to change one thing to another, to go about to
exchange the purpose, design, use or intent of something for
that which is not purposeful, designed, useful or intended. to
deviate from what is normal and functional.

lie grk: pseudos
a lie, to tell or to repeat a lie, to etch, carve, or
mark a groove, to put a falsehood in the mind,
a pseudo-practice, a pseudo-science, a pseudo-reality,

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1c.) Abuse of the spirit

vs. 25b

Verse 25b

and worshiped and served the creature
rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen.

worshipped

grk: sebazomai

to be an awe of, to bow or to surrender to, to give yourself to
in body, soul and spirit – self.

served

grk: latreuo

the offering up of service to, full devotion resulting in energy
spent on, time given to, attention paid to, to give yourself at
the altar of.

Inordinate Affections

The more men and women seek to honor their bodies
{focus on them being the priority – the looks, the feel, the appearance} – the
more they are given over to the demands of the body. The physical drives and
appetites of the “creature” side of us spells death immersion.

Destructive Acts

regarding every pagan culture studied throughout human history,
the evidence is overwhelming which is this; when the one true monotheistic
God of the Bible is rejected - that culture creates icons, images or idols to fill
the void that their decision has created. What is interesting is that man creates
images of himself often portrayed as a deified hybrid – part human – part
animal that is then given over to extreme sexual perversion,
sexual abuse and addictions.

The Ruin of Family

It is a satanic plan to destroy the value and glory of the human
being and to do that, he must destroy the family structure that God has
ordained – which is a model of the Trinitarian relationship
between the Godhead.

The End of Marriage

Marriage between a man and a woman is THE social institution created by God
that provides the societal and foundational backbone to a civilization.

According to the Bible there are (3) three key institutions created by God that are fundamental.

Those three institutions are **Family, Church and Government**.

There is no basic foundation more necessary for human existence than the **traditional, natural family unit**. Without a husband and a wife creating children there would be **no family** life which means there would be **no church** which means there would be **no government**.

No Exchanges Work

It should be noted that any deviation from that model results in a self-destruct-mode that has no ability or means to advance the culture or to procreate life. – it can only survive in the moment. It has no future.

Children from homes without a male father figure are:

7 times more likely to live in poverty. **6 times** more likely to commit suicide **50% more** likely to commit a crime. **52% more** likely to become pregnant out of wedlock. **60%** of America's rapist grew up without a father. **63%** of youth suicides happen among fatherless children. **70%** of school delinquencies are from fatherless homes. **71%** of teenage pregnancy are from fatherless homes. **72%** of high school dropouts are from fatherless homes. **73%** of youth on youth murders are from fatherless homes. **86%** of the youth prison population grew up without a male role model. **87%** of youth behavioral disorders come from fatherless homes. **90%** of America's runaways are from fatherless homes.

Source:

www.fathersforlife.org/divorce/children

“But Jack – LBGTQ relationships doesn’t hurt anyone. Love is Love.”

The existence of homosexual activity proves the existence of God.
Likewise, homosexual activity disproves the theory of evolution.

When Temptation Takes Over;

Leisure – taken to its extremes,
it becomes the idol of apathy, and we will love it so.

Food – taken to its extremes,
it becomes the idol of gluttony, and we love it so.

Entertainment – taken to its extremes,
it becomes the idol of amusement, and we love it so.

Money – taken to its extremes,
it becomes an idol of independence, and we love it so.

Fun – taken to its extremes,
it becomes the idol of pleasure, and we love it so.

Sports - taken to its extremes,
it becomes the idol of fantasy, and we love it so.

Sex - taken to its extremes, it becomes an idol of dominance
and we love it so.

Religion - taken to its extremes, it becomes the idol of self-righteousness
and we love it so.

**This indictment by God,
reveals who is behind the mask – they are worshippers and servants of
the god they have created.**

The Wrath of God is Made Clear;
It is that “dishonor(ing)” results in the crippling of your body, soul and spirit.

“It is not so much that God sends judgment on a man,
is that of the man bringing judgment upon himself.”

William Barkley

Behind The Mask

1.) Is the abuse

vs. 24-25

Behind The Mask

2.) Is the destruction

vs. 26-27

Behind The Mask – Is Destruction

2a.) The destruction of morality

vs. 26a

Verse 26a

26 For this reason God gave them up to vile passions.

This is the ## time God says “Gave Them Up”

Reason	grk: touto; statement of facts, to these things, the preconditions to what is about to happen
Up	grk: paradidomi; to hand over, to give or deliver up, to betray in the sense of no longer having the opportunity to be faithful.
Vile	grk: atimia; uncommon use, wrong way, shameful, repulsive acts.
Passions	grk: pathos; (-) pain, suffering, (+) that which drives or controls or motivates you, to occupy the energy of thought and imagination.

2 Kings 17:15 KJV

And they rejected His statutes, and His covenant that He made with their fathers, and His testimonies which He testified against them; and they followed vanity, and became vain.

2 Kings 17:15 NKJV

they followed idols, became idolaters.

2 Kings 17:15 NIV

They followed worthless idols and they themselves became worthless.

2 Kings 17:15 ESV

They went after false idols and became false,

2 Kings 17:15 NLT

and they despised all His warnings. They worshiped worthless idols, so they became worthless themselves.

Behind The Mask – Is Destruction

2b.) The destruction of reason

vs. 26b-27a

Verse 26b

26b For even the women exchanged the natural use for what is against nature. (the sciences)

“Now referring to the degeneration of females among the heathen - they are always the last to be affected in the decay of morals, and their corruption is therefore proof that all virtue is now lost.”

Prof. Charles Hodge

1877 Princeton University

The Simultaneous Attack is Real

What we are experiencing as a nation today, and globally as a world – is the simultaneous result of decades long promotions, access and protection of **pornography** - - which has led to the **abuse** and **trafficking of women, children** and the practice of aberrant, violent sexual behavior and predatory sexual deviancy.

Psychologist now tell us that “the availability of extreme to hard pornography among children has produced within them thought processes and emotional instability with damaging effect. The emotional and mental trauma experienced is that similar to or exactly as children who have been sexual abused from a young age” **The experts have concluded that “There is a direct correlation between sexual abuse and pornography among the young. Studies show that the resulting effects have the same outcome, that there is an overwhelming emotional detachment from normal sexual behavior due to their earlier abuses.”**

American Academy of Pediatrics
2008 Research Study on Sexual Assaults Among Adolescents

Romans 1:18

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven,

Jude 1:7

As Sodom and Gomorrah, and the cities around them in a similar manner to these, having given themselves over to (1) sexual immorality and (2) gone after strange flesh, are set forth as an example, suffering the vengeance of eternal fire.

The Destruction of Reason

Verse 27a

27a Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the women, burned in their lust for one another, men with men

Aberrant Sexual Activity...

“**Looking which leads to entertaining, to obsessing, which leads to Engaging to entertaining, to obsessing, which leads to Investing which leads to entertaining, to obsessing, to Worship which leads to entertaining, to obsessing, to Confusion which leads to entertaining, to obsessing until your body, soul and spirit are gone –**

**Our Culture has Now Shut the Door on God
When Biology is Mocked and Science, The Signature of God is Rejected**

**The Evidence collected proves that man has lost his reason,
his ability, his convictions**

**And thus willfully confuses the two Genders and sin's
and thereby violates logic and reason**

End of Study

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