

# 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 4**

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According to Grace By The Argumentation of the Apostle Paul

### SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

**Sex, LBGTQ, Sin, Salvation, Judgement, Homosexuality, Last Days, False Doctrine**

## **A warning given to the last generation**

2 Timothy 3:1-5

But know this, that in the last days perilous times will come: (perilous = violently difficult, hard to bear up, grinding down / time = kairos, seasons, moments, minutes, the end / come = announce, present, parade themselves)

2 For men will be lovers of themselves, lovers of money, boasters, proud, blasphemers, disobedient to parents, unthankful, unholly, 3 unloving, unforgiving, slanderers, without self-control, brutal, despisers of good, 4 traitors, headstrong, haughty, lovers of pleasure rather than lovers of God, 5 having a form of godliness but denying its power.

And from such people turn away!

## **As it was in the Days of Noah & Lot**

1 Timothy 4:1-2

Now the Holy Spirit expressly says that in Latter Times some will depart from the faith, giving heed to deceiving spirits and doctrines of demons, 2 speaking lies in hypocrisy, having their own conscience seared with a hot iron (numb, feelingless, unable to sympathize, cold, lifeless)

## And here are the reasons why:

### #1 Charge

Romans 1:18

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,

### #2 Charge

Romans 1:21

because, although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened.

### #3 Charge

Romans 1:22-23

Professing to be wise, they became fools, 23 and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things.

## Let's Stand For Our Congregational Reading

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, malice; 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.

# I have prayed that I have the spirit of Jude, to come to you today in this spirit

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  
fire, hating even the garment defiled by the flesh.

1.) Is the abuse vs. 24-25

1a.) Abuse of the soul vs. 24a

1b.) Abuse of the body vs. 24b-25a

1c.) Abuse of the spirit vs. 25b

2.) Is the destruction vs. 26-27

2a.) Destruction of morality vs. 26a

2b.) Destruction of reason vs. 26b-27a

2c.) Destruction of boundaries vs. 27b

## Behind The Mask

3.) Is the verdict vs. 28-32

### Behind The Mask – Is The Verdict

3a.) Verdict as of finality vs. 28

## Verse 28

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;

## Here's Why

24 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,

Desiring to believe the Lie = To Hold to an Inverted Reality

## Verse 28a

28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge,

To Exert pressure or energy against what is natural, obvious, and normal

To believe the Lie = To Hold to an Inverted Reality

## Verse 28b

God gave them over to a debased mind,

Debased grk: adokimos; a way of thinking that cannot stand the test, to reject evaluation, thereby rendering oneself willfully void or depraved, disqualified.

Strike #1 - “God Gave Them Up” – v.24

Strike #2 - “God Gave Them Over” – v.26

Strike #3 - “God Gave Them Over” – v.28

3 Strikes – You’re Out!

## Verse 28c

to do those things which are not fitting;

fitting grk: kathoko; not allowed, not correct, not beneficial, not working, not pleasurable (pleasure as per design)

**The Result is “Ichabod” – the glory has departed.  
God will leave them alone. God will answer them their one prayer.  
God will abandon them to their desires.**

“The condemnation of God on rebellious humanity is finally and overtly seen when a people or culture is let loose to pursue their desires openly.”

Dr. John Walvoord writes:

“in a culture when live-in-lovers, wife swapping, sex parties and exhibitionism is normalized or even celebrated, these all are evidence(s) of God’s abandonment of a nation.”

# **Sex and Sexuality is America's new god. "In the end, man created a god in his own image"**

Humanism 1:1

So man created gods in his own image; in the image of man he created gods;  
male, female, what-ever, man created them.

**He has created the answer for his guilt and shame;  
"My god(s) approve of my actions."**

**The New World Order is Redefining Truth,  
Science & Reality.**

**Self-Imposed, Desired, Choice of Confusion  
Gender Identity & Gender Display  
It's playing God with a life and with a mind**

**There is nothing that the Bible fails to address in life,  
some 4,000 years ago, God told Moses – write this down:**

Deuteronomy 22:5 NLT

"A woman must not put on men's clothing, and a man must not wear women's clothing. Anyone who does this is *detestable* in the sight of the LORD your God."

**Behind The Mask – Is The Verdict**

3b.) Verdict as to desire

vs. 29-31

**It should be noted that anthropologists, sociologists and historians agree that the last and final sociological manifestation of a culture, empire or nation before it is destroyed – is that of aberrant sexuality, marked by open homosexuality, pedophilia, lesbianism and bestiality.**

<https://www.statepress.com/article/2017/02/spopinion-virginity-is-a-social-construct-rethinkpurity>

'Virginity has always been a big deal. Countless cultures have been obsessed with the concept from their beginnings. Yet, many people fail to consider the concept of virginity from different perspectives. The way we view virginity as a culture is extremely detrimental to the health of our sexualities, especially when you consider that technically, it is not even real. Virginity is conceptual, it is

a social construction. When we have sex for the first time we do not actually lose anything. It does not change our identity, it is not life-altering and it does not affect our worth. It is simply a new experience.'

## Verse 29-31

29 being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, (*which is the foundation for their pleasure seeking, sex-centric religion*) 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;

Notice that all these sins are sins of choice.

### Ephesians 5:3-4 NLT

Let there be no sexual immorality, impurity, or greed among you. Such sins have no place among God's people. 4 Obscene stories, foolish talk, and coarse jokes—these are not for you.

### Galatians 5:19-21

When you follow the desires of your sinful nature, the results are very clear: sexual immorality, impurity, lustful pleasures, 20 idolatry, sorcery, hostility, quarreling, jealousy, outbursts of anger, selfish ambition, dissension, division, 21 envy, drunkenness, wild parties, and other sins like these. Let me tell you again, as I have before, that anyone living that sort of life will not inherit the Kingdom of God.

### 1 Corinthians 6:9-11

Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, 10 nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God. 11 And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.

### Behind The Mask – Is The Verdict

3c.) Verdict as to damnation

vs. 32

## Verse 32a

32a who, knowing THE RIGHTEOUS JUDGMENT OF GOD, that those who practice such things are deserving of death,

## Verse 32b

32b not only do the same - but also approve of those who practice them.

### **“They were born that way”**

Romans 1:25a NLT

They traded, exchanged, switched the truth about God - for a lie.

### **“What Matters is - Love is Love”**

Romans 1:25a NLT

They traded, exchanged, switched the truth about God - for a lie.

### **“Jesus never said anything about LGBTQ”**

Romans 1:25a NLT

They traded, exchanged, switched the truth about God - for a lie.

### **“Should I attend a Gay wedding?**

**“My son’s teacher told my son he might be gay”**

**The school is abusing my child with mental tactics.**

**By the sin of \_\_\_\_\_ Satan fell from heaven  
(Adam and Eve too)**

**“PRIDE MONTH” and note that the banner of “PRIDE” and PRIDE Month is so true.... Pride is the source of all sin**

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<https://nomadicboys.com/wp-content/uploads/2018/06/5-Best-Gay-Pride-Events-in-Latin-America-1120x630.jpg>

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**Think of the Biden-Harris Government, The Advertisers, The Schools and the Olympic Ads, they are** all affirming, endorsing, condoning, and defending themselves, while also rejecting the authority and the order of God – and they are judged by God the same.

**“BUT JESUS NEVER SPOKE ABOUT GAYS”**

Matthew 5:17-18

“Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. 18 For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled.

## **Here's Our To-Do List**

Because We're all S.I.N. Positive

## **Here Comes The Hope**

### **(1) Get a hold of Yourself**

Colossians 3:5-7

Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. 6 Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, 7 in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them.

Ephesians 2:1-5

And you He made alive, who were dead in trespasses and sins, 2 in which you once walked according to the course of this world, according to the prince of the power of the air, the spirit who now works in the sons of disobedience, 3 among whom also we all once conducted ourselves in the lusts of our flesh, fulfilling the desires of the flesh and of the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, just as the others. :4 But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, 5 even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved),

1 Corinthians 10:13

No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.

1 Thessalonians 4:3-5

For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you should abstain from sexual immorality; 4 that each of you should know how to possess his own vessel in sanctification and honor, 5 not in passion of lust, like the Gentiles who do not know God; 6 that no one should take advantage of and defraud his brother in this matter, because the Lord is the avenger

**Stop Acting Like a Man – Stop Acting Like a Woman  
Wear clothes that fit the facts – but the feelings**

1 Peter 2:11

Beloved, I beg you as sojourners and pilgrims,  
abstain from fleshly lusts which war against the soul,

1 Corinthians 6:9-10

Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, 10 nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.

2 Corinthians 10:3-6

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. 4 For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, 5 casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, 6 and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.

2 Corinthians 5:16-17

Therefore, from now on, we regard no one according to the flesh. Even though we have known Christ according to the flesh, yet now we know Him thus no longer. 17 Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become new.

*End of Study*

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