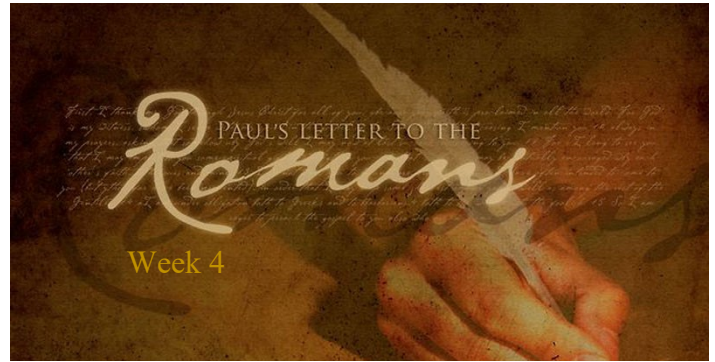




LWC 9.9.18



**Review: Read Rom 1:16-17.** Romans is all about the gospel.

**Romans 1:18-32:** This passage of scripture begins the explanation of 1:16-17—the revelation of the righteousness of God through the gospel. Particularly, the lost state of humanity and how we got that way. The Gentiles are in view considering “from faith (Judaism) to faith (Christianity)” .

**V. 18** is explained in verses 19-32. : Mankind is ungodly and unrighteous. The truth they have is \_\_\_\_\_ in their unrighteousness. Ungodly: \_\_\_\_\_.

Unrighteous: \_\_\_\_\_.

**19-23:** God shows people there is a God. Humanity takes that knowledge and worship Idols, or other mystical/magical things. Acts 14:17

God honors man’s free will. He lets them have their way (Ps 81:12, Acts 7:42, etc) and:

**24-25:** He “gave them \_\_\_\_\_” to uncleanness. Because they changed the glory of God...

**26-27:** He “gave them \_\_\_\_\_” to vile affections: \_\_\_\_\_ Because they changed the truth...

**28:** He “gave them \_\_\_\_\_” to a reprobate mind. This is described in 29-32 where we see Unrighteousness without \_\_\_\_\_. Reprobate= “Unapproved”. This is a word play with “Like” earlier in the verse: Since you did not approve of retaining God in your knowledge, you now have an unapproved mind.

**Application:** Seeing humanity as it is without God—(ungodly and unrighteous) informs us that we need to escape the wrath of God that upon mankind because of ungodliness and unrighteousness. If we as a society or individuals dishonor him, we will end up dishonoring ourselves.

**Small Group Questions:** 1. In what ways does our society today look like Rom. 1: 28-32? 2. How can we escape the wrath of God upon the unrighteousness and ungodliness in our own lives?



