

“No Excuses”

God's Universal Condemnation

Romans 1:18-3:20

Why should I care?

1. We need to *know*,
2. We need to *appreciate*;
3. We need to be *inspired!*

1 Corinthians 10:11-13

Remember, history is really HIS story!

Progressive Revelation

“Revelation” = “to unveil or uncover”

“Progressive” = “God revealing Himself in different ways during different ages and revealing more and more of Himself through time”

4 Steps of Progressive Revelation

1. 1:18-32, Primitive Nature
2. 2:1-16, Human Conscience
3. 2:17-3:8, Written Holy Scripture
4. 3:9-20, No one without excuse!

God Revealed in Nature

The wicked pagan condemned:

1. The wrath of God is *revealed*;
2. The wrath of God is *deserved*;
3. The wrath of God is *inflicted*.

Wrath of God Revealed

Made known in:

1. The Bible
2. The Cross of Christ
3. The Natural Laws of Nature.

God's Wrath

“The settled, determined response
of a holy God
against sin.”

Wrath of God Deserved

God has revealed His greatness
to man in nature, but
man deliberately rejects
the evidence.

The Wrath of God Inflicted

The wrath of
God is that
He gave man over
to his own sinful passions.

God Revealed in Conscience

The moral “good” person condemned by his own *judgment*. God’s judgment is:

1. According to *truth*;
2. According to *deeds*;
3. According to *impartiality*;
4. According to Paul’s *gospel*.

God Revealed to Israel

The Jew condemned:

1. The pride of *place*;
2. The pride of *grace*;
3. The pride of *race*;
4. The pride of *face*.

God Revealed to All

All are condemned in God's *courtroom*:

1. The general *charge*;
2. The written *indictment*;
3. The guilty *verdict*!