

October 19-20, 2024

Growth Group Lesson

Title: Romans: The Power of God, Pt 2 – “The Exchange” – Romans 1:18-32

Big Idea: God’s wrath is revealed against those who suppress the truth.

Read Romans 1:18-32 and pray.

What in the message stood out to you?

What questions do you have?

What kind of truth is being suppressed in this passage? Why does that kind of suppression impact every other area of our lives?

I. When people suppress the truth, they exchange the glory of God for images.

Read Psalm 106:20.

Read Psalm 115:4-8.

We all worship; the question is what or whom do we worship?

Why do you think we’re attracted to other idols?

II. When people suppress the truth, they exchange the truth for a lie.

What lies have you believed in your own life that led you away from worshiping and serving God?

How did the LORD help you identify those lies and draw you back to the truth?

III. When people suppress the truth, they exchange natural relationships for unnatural.

Why do you think Paul uses the sin of homosexuality as an example in this passage?

Read 1 Corinthians 6:9-11. How should we view this in light of the Gospel?

In what way can we have conversations with those who struggle, with both compassion and conviction?

IV. We all suppress the truth and deserve judgement and wrath.

Why is it difficult for us to think about God having wrath?

Read Psalm 7:11.

Read John 3:36

Read Romans 2:5, 5:9, 6:23.

How do these passages talk about God's wrath?

Why is it important that God has wrath?

How is the wrath of God satisfied?

"Next Steps" Takeaways – Discuss and pray through the following:

With God:

Rejoice. Give thanks to the LORD your God—the Creator who is blessed forever, amen! He has provided a sacrifice for the wrath that you deserve.

With Others:

How might you encourage/admonish one another with a passage like Romans 1:18-32?

On Mission:

Who is someone in your life who is practicing a lie and suppressing the true?

Pray for them. What questions can you ask them to provoke conversation?