

THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD

“For the word of God is living and powerful,
and sharper than any two-edged sword,
piercing even to the division of soul and spirit,
and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner
of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”

(Hebrews 4:12)

THE BOOK OF ROMANS

“Not Ashamed of the Gospel”

**“For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ,
for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone
who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.
For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith to faith;
as it is written, ‘The just shall live by faith.’”**

(Romans 1:16,17)

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A. GUILT OF THE GENTILES

(Romans 1:18–32)

God's Wrath on Unrighteousness

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who suppress the truth in unrighteousness,
19 because what may be known of God is manifest in them, for God has shown it to them.

A. GUILT OF THE GENTILES

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God's Wrath on Unrighteousness

20 For since the creation of the world His invisible attributes are clearly seen, being understood by the things that are made, even His eternal power and Godhead, so that they are without excuse,

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.

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22 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.

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

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26 For this reason God gave them up to vile passions. For even their women exchanged the natural use (*relations*) for what is against nature.

27 Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, 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.

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God's Wrath on Unrighteousness

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,

A. GUILT OF THE GENTILES

(Romans 1:18–32)

God's Wrath on Unrighteousness

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.

A. GUILT OF THE GENTILES

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1. Reason for Gentile Guilt

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Condemnation: Need for God's Righteousness

Romans 1:18–3:20

A. GUILT OF THE GENTILES

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GOD:

Loving and Holy

Condemnation: Need for God's Righteousness

Romans 1:18–3:20

A. GUILT OF THE GENTILES

(Romans 1:18–32)

HOLINESS:
Righteous and Just

Condemnation: Need for God's Righteousness

Romans 1:18–3:20

A. GUILT OF THE GENTILES

(Romans 1:18–32)

SIN:

***Affront to God's
Holiness***

A. GUILT OF THE GENTILES

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*“Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, **perfecting holiness in the fear of God** ...*

For godly sorrow produces repentance leading to salvation, not to be regretted; but the sorrow of the world produces death.”

(2 Corinthians 7:1–10)