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# First, the Bad News

Remember the Good News (1:16-17)

Reveals the righteousness of God

The wrath of God remains—

1) Suppress the truth

Compared to embrace the truth, by faith.

Truth of God as displayed in creation.

So that . . . “People are without excuse.” (v.20)

2) Rejection of God

The key word— “exchanged” (v.23)

John 3:36

“whoever rejects the son. . .”

3) Decline of People

“God gave them over” (vv. 24, 26, 28)

✓ idolize the material

✓ lusts of the heart

✓ chaos of depravity

Our response — Conviction and Compassion

The Road back —

Christ (v.4)

Creation (v.20)

Conscience (v.32)

### **Reflective Questions:**

- 1) In what ways are you vulnerable to the world we live in? How does the world try to squeeze you into its mold?
- 2) Why would a response of conviction or compassion be appropriate? How do you respond to this sobering Scripture?
- 3) Who among your friends is caught in this trap? Please pray for them.



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