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## The Book of Romans

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We established according to verses 18 and 19, God has given the knowledge of Himself to every man and woman that He has ever made. In addition, there is the testimony of the invisible God by the visible creation according to verse 20. We see that the reason for all of our transgressions individually and as a society according to verse 21, is when men opt to believe there is no God rather than acting upon the truth that God has placed within their hearts, minds and in their souls from birth.

We argued from scripture that the teachings and doctrines of evolution are the greatest weapon the devil has ever come up with in history. As we will continue to read in Romans we will see the result of people and a nation that no longer believes to fear the Lord. We live in a society where thieves, murderers, rapists and molesters boast of having no fear; the result is that everybody walks around in fear of one another. Life was not that way when men feared the Lord.

In verses 22 to 32 we have the result of rejecting the revelation that God gave you in your heart from birth. We are going to find in these passages that men become vile, men become abominable – they do not start out that way. *Ecclesiastes 7:29 Lo, this only have I found, that God hath made man upright; but they have sought out many inventions. (KJV)*

**Verse 22. Professing themselves to be wise...** I would say to you that the problem in our society and problem in our nation, is that people are taught to exalt, praise, worship, profess, testify, to their own glory, goodness, and their own greatness – and they end up making fools out of themselves. We are now seeing fundamental and conservative churches follow the liberal and charismatic churches down that very path of exalting and glorifying to the greatness of man rather than the greatest of Our great God and Savior the Lord Jesus Christ. Humanism and Christianity are supposed to be complete opposites of one another. But they are now being molded together to exalt the man for his righteousness, intelligence, or his gift and how wonderful he or she makes you feel from listening to them.

The reason these charlatans are able to pull the proverbial wool over the eyes of unsuspecting church goers is because nowadays people do not read their bibles. We all ought to be giving all honor and glory to Jesus Christ.

**Verse 23. And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God into an image made like to corruptible man...** Because the Lord has made us with a belief in an Almighty Creator... because God has made us with a belief in a power

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greater than ourselves – if we opt to take the route of the so-called Bible denier; we will soon have to find a substitute for God.

Watch the progression in verse 23. Evolution is a step down. ***And changed the glory of the uncorruptible God... (Step down) into an image made like to corruptible man... (Step down) and to birds... (Step down) and fourfooted beasts... (Step down again) and creeping things.*** Man, without God, does not move upward; he moves downward. Man, without faith in God and a fear of God and a knowledge that he is accountable to God does not progress – he goes backward.

You first reject God and you start acting like a man and then you start acting like a bird; then you start acting like a beast and then you start acting like a creeping thing and it gets even worse before the chapter is over. You end up doing things that even the birds, the beasts and the creeping things would not do. Without God, it is all down-hill. You cannot find one man that used to live for God who backslid and is better now than he was five years ago. He has a higher standard now than he had before he was born again, but he cannot maintain it without, the word of God. He cannot maintain it without the fear of the Lord.

What results in Romans 1? Men and women end up living like beasts. Why? That is as high as their worship goes. Look – if you are nothing more than the product of evolution, if you are just part of the circle of life... if you are just another Darwinian animal then what is your example? Mating behavior? Conquest? Stealing? Mastery? Be the Alpha and not the follower? But if you are made by God Almighty, now what is the example? Sacrifice, love, kindness, grace, truth, mercy...

Why do people want a creation without a creator? The stars and the planets are not watching what people are doing. The animals will not bring them into judgment. The forest and the waterfalls do not hold them accountable.

Romans 1. Let's look at some words, Verse 24. ***Wherefore...*** Verse 26. ***For this cause...*** There is a cause and effect. Why do we follow Bible doctrine and not the philosophy of John Calvin? Because in the Bible, there is a cause and there is an effect. There is not a pre-determined course of action from which you cannot escape and into which you have no choice, there is a cause and there is an effect. What is the cause? God gave them knowledge of Himself and they did not want Him. That is the cause. What is the effect?

Verse 24. ***Wherefore God also gave them up...*** (The key word is ***also***. Man says to God, "I don't want you running my life." And so God says to man, "then I won't run your life." Man says to God, "I don't want you telling me what to do." God says to man, "then I won't tell you what to do..." Man says to God, "I don't want to believe that Bible..." God says to man, "then don't read

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it...” But the root cause is not election or predestination. It is a willful rebellion on the part of a human heart to say to God, “we’ll not have this man to reign over us – we do not want King Jesus... we want Caesar... we want Barabbas... we want anything but Jesus...” So, God says, “fine... help yourself... You can have the world the flesh and the devil... Help yourself. But, do not come crying to me when there is AIDS, disease, death, bloodshed, murder, killing, kidnapping, rape and child molesting. You did not want me telling you what to do, so work it out yourself.”

OMG is readily on the lips of every Christ rejecter, yet God is not listening. If He was your God you would not throwing around His name so flippantly, because people that know Him do not take His name in vain. Here is one of those strange observations we see when witnessing, you are trying to witness to someone and they say, “I don’t want that... I like my beer, or my drugs, or my party life and when they reap the harvest, what’s the first thing out of their heart? *“Oh my God...”*”

Well, wait a minute – you said you didn’t want God. Why is it *“Oh my God...”*? Why do people when something bad happens, why don’t they say, “Oh, my money, Oh, my drugs, Oh, my six-pack, Why is it always *“Oh my God...”*” – why are you **blaming God** for what you **signed up for**? Curse yourself.

Verse 24. ***Wherefore God also gave them up (Look) to uncleanness through the lusts of their own hearts, to dishonour their own bodies between themselves: 25 Who changed the truth of God into a lie, and worshipped and served the creature more than the Creator, who is blessed for ever. Amen.*** If you want sin more than you want the Savior, guess what you are going to do? You are going to sin. If you want to be carnal and worldly and fleshy, He will step out of your way and let you ruin everything you touch. God has set this thing up where He does not interfere with your desires.

If you want to be saved, He will save you. If you want to go to hell, He will let you go to hell. If you want to enjoy the Christian life, He will guide you... He will direct you... He will lead you into all truth... He will give you victory. That is the God of the Bible. Do you see what happens in verse 24? They want uncleanness. What does God let them do? Be unclean. They want to live like animals, not like people made in the image of God – and so what to do they do? They live like animals.

Fifty years ago, the girl that was sexually active before she got married was the oddball, the out-cast. Today, the girl that is not sexually active is the oddball... is the out-cast, she’s the one being ridiculed. You say, “where did that come from?” Evolution. If the highest thing you have is an animal, you are going to live like an animal! If the highest thing you have is God, you are going to live like God would have you to live. So they dishonored their bodies.

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Young man, it is dishonoring – God gave you a vessel. He wants that vessel to be kept unto honor. It dishonors the marvelous creation that your soul is living in to live like an animal and just have relations with anything you can catch. It is dishonoring to God.

Young lady – God bless your heart. It dishonors the body that God gave you for your soul to dwell in, to lay that body down with a man that is not going to provide for you and love you and care for you your entire life; you are better than that. You are not an alley cat. You are not a pig. You are a beautiful, marvelous creation of God Almighty! Keep that in mind and live that way and say to that smooth talking fellow with the money and the fast car – *"I am too good for that. I am not your animal. I am going to wait until God brings the right man into my life and I am married."*

*1 Corinthians 7:1 Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me: It is good for a man not to touch a woman. (KJV) **The Bible says do not touch a woman!*** What does that mean? No kissing, no hugging, no holding hands, no touching. You say why so strict?, Because God knows that in the day you disobey God's command, your heart with change and so will your thoughts towards that man or woman.

Verse 26. It gets worse... without God. It does not go up; it goes down. ***For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: 27 And likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust one toward another;*** (makes you want to vomit just to read it...) ***men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompence of their error which was meet.*** Here is the next step down for an individual. Here is the next step down for a society and for a nation. Sin does not satisfy – only Jesus Christ satisfies. So once you give yourself to sin, no matter how thrilling, no matter how terrifying, no matter how exciting, no matter how marvelous that sin is, you will get bored with it. You get tired of it and you will want something more.

It would make you sick, if I told you of some of the sins I have heard about over the years. Sodomites are men and women that tried what was natural and were not satisfied with just fornication, they had to try something else that would satisfy them. Men with men is just the tip of the ice berg, men and women with animals is next. Do you know what the Bible says? This is a step down; because not even animals live like this. Do you know why? Because God made them to preserve their species and an animal with no brains at all knows that you cannot reproduce the species if you do not get together with the opposite gender. God said, I need some people to be fruitful and multiply and replenish the earth – I better make a man and a woman, not two men and not two women.

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1. According to Roman 1, what do men and women become if they continue to sin against God?
2. According to verse 23, what is the downward progression of sinful practices?
  - a.
  - b.
  - c.
  - d.
3. Explain the theme of this lesson.
4. What does the Bible say about kissing a woman you are not married to?
5. Why should men and women abstain from having sexual relations unless they are married?
6. Why is God so strict about no touching?
7. Explain Ecclesiastes 7:29
8. Why is evolution the greatest weapon the devil has come up with in history?
9. According to this lesson, why is it important to fear the Lord?

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10. How can you prove that animals are smarter than humans according to this lesson?
11. Explain why sin never satisfies?
12. Explain **cause** and **effect** as it relates to this lesson.

## True/false

- Sodomites are born to be gay, they have no choice.
- To say OMG is OK if you know God.
- It is permissible with God to have sexual relations with a woman if you intend to marry her.



Scripture memorization, write out these verses on the back on this page:  
1 Corinthians 7:1; Ecclesiastes 7:29; Romans 6:23

Any Questions?