**Romans Lesson 3 (2018)**

**GOD’S WRATH AGAINST UNGODLINESS**

(Romans 1:18-31)

**Open**

1. Do you enjoy getting back to nature? Have you ever had an encounter with the natural world that was completely awe-inspiring?

**Discover**

1. Read verses 18-20. What is God’s response to the people who ignore and disobey Him? (18) How does God reveal Himself to people? What makes all people accountable to God?
2. Read verses 21-23. What is the primary problem people have in their relationship with God? (21) What happens to the hearts and minds of people who reject God? (22) When people deny God, what do they often put in His place? (23)
3. Read verses 24-26. How does God respond to people who ignore and deny Him? (24, 26) What lie do people naturally believe by denying the truth?
4. Read verses 26-27. How are attitudes toward sexuality affected when a person denies God? What is God’s attitude toward promiscuous heterosexual activity and homosexuality?
5. Read verses 28-32. When thoughts of God are pushed out, what evil attitudes and actions replace them? Instead of fearing God, what attitude do people naturally have toward Him? (32)
6. One response to verses 26-31 would be to think that we are pretty good in comparison to others because we are guilty of only a few of these sins. What do the following passages have to say about that? (Matthew 5:21-22, 27-28; Romans 3:9-12; James 2:10-11)

**Close**

1. Do you think Romans 1:18-32 refutes the notion that people are basically good? Explain. How might this passage make you less ashamed of the gospel and more eager to preach it?