

Romans 1:18-2:4  
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Justice and Mercy Kiss  
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Introduction: Angry Softball Coach

Key Question: Is God's wrath just, or is it just petty rage?

Key Thought: We must understand God's wrath to trust His heart.

- I. The Basis of God's judgment: Suppression of Truth (v1:18)  
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  - a. Explanation: Suppression hides salvation (v1:16-17)  
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  - b. Objection: What if I don't know about God's truth?

Paul's Answer:

1. God's truth is plain through general revelation (v1:19-20)  
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2. General revelation reveals God's power and nature (v1:20)  
(v1:20)
- c. Evasion: worshiping creature over creator (v1:21-23)  
(v1:21-23)
- d. Consequences:
  1. Impure Lusts
  2. Dishonorable Passions
  3. Debased Mind

II. The baselessness of human judgement

- a. We all have no human excuse (v2:1)  
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- b. We all have no human escape (v2:2-3)  
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III. The purpose of God's kindness

- a. Not a presume upon God's patience (2:4a)  
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- b. But to repent because of God's kindness (2:4b)  
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