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## **GOD'S GENERAL REVELATION TO YOU**

(Romans 1:18-20)

- I. THE SALUTATION AND INTRODUCTION TO THE BOOK OF ROMANS (1:1-7)
- II. THE PERSONAL AND PRACTICAL OUTREACH OF PAUL'S MINISTRY (1:8-13)
- III. THE PROCLAMATION OF THE GOSPEL INTRODUCED (1:14-17)
- IV. THE RIGHTEOUSNESS OF GOD REVEALED: MAN'S SIN AND GOD'S CONDEMNATION (1:18-3:20)
  - A. The IMMORAL Man Condemned before God (1:18-32)

Go	od's WRATH Revealed (v. 18)
a.	"The wrath of God" does not describe the punishment that He dispenses, but rather, His towards sin itself. (v. 18a, cf. Eph. 2:1-
	3; John 3:36)
b.	God's wrath is "revealed (Gk. apokalupto) from heaven" i.e., it is, it is
c.	The object of God's wrath is towards "ungodliness and unrighteousness," which is a lack of towards God and a against our fellow human beings. (v. 18c)
d.	All people have some, they "suppress" (lit. hold down)

what they don't have; but they do so because they want to do what they please. (v. 18d)

a.	The Lord God has made Himself known through the internal and of every human being. (v. 19a, cf. Rom. 2:14-16; Ps. 14:1-3)
b.	The emphasis in v. 19 is on the preposition- the universal objective of God as the "is manifest them." (v. 19b)
c.	In every generation "since the creation of the world" God has revealed through general revelation, through His the fact that there is an infinitely Supreme Bein to whom we are (v. 20a, cf. Psalm 8:3-9; 19:1; 90:2; 136:3-9 Ecc. 12:1; John 1:1-3; Col. 1:16-17)
	* Is this general revelation of conscience and creation limited in telling us the deeper thing of God?
	* What is needed to give us specific, personal knowledge of a loving Creator?
d.	God is an infinite Being, which means that He cannot be fully comprehended by finite beings; but God has condescended, and made Himself to those who humbly to His drawing.
e.	Because God has revealed His "eternal and," those people who to acknowledge Him or trust Him "are without excuse" (Gk anapologetos), i.e., they are ripe for judgment. (v. 20b)