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SERMON NOTES

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TEXT: Romans 1:16-32

I. To grasp the good news, we need to see how sin has broken _____ (1:18-23).

II. To grasp the good news, we need to see how sin has broken _____ (1:24-27).

III. To grasp the good news, we need to see how sin leads to _____ (1:28-32).

IV. The good news is that in Christ, God is _____, allowing for _____, and giving me _____ (Rom 1:16-17).

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Centered on the Gospel: "The Need for the Gospel"

Romans 1:16-32

16 For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation
to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek.
17 For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith,
as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

18 For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and
unrighteousness of men, who by their unrighteousness suppress the truth.
19 For what can be known about God is plain to them, because God has shown
it to them. 20 For his invisible attributes, namely, his eternal power and divine
nature, have been clearly perceived, ever since the creation of the world, in
the things that have been made. So they are without excuse. 21 For although
they knew God, they did not honor him as God or give thanks to him, but they
became futile in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened.
22 Claiming to be wise, they became fools, 23 and exchanged the glory of the
immortal God for images resembling mortal man and birds and animals
and creeping things.

24 Therefore God gave them up in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, to the
dishonoring of their bodies among themselves, 25 because they exchanged the
truth about God for a lie and worshiped and served the creature rather than
the Creator, who is blessed forever! Amen. 26 For this reason God gave them
up to dishonorable passions. For their women exchanged natural relations for
those that are contrary to nature; 27 and the men likewise gave up natural
relations with women and were consumed with passion for one another,
men committing shameless acts with men and receiving in themselves
the due penalty for their error.

28 And since they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a
debased mind to do what ought not to be done. 29 They were filled with all
manner of unrighteousness, evil, covetousness, malice. They are full of envy,
murder, strife, deceit, maliciousness. They are gossips, 30 slanderers, haters of
God, insolent, haughty, boastful, inventors of evil, disobedient to parents,
31 foolish, faithless, heartless, ruthless. 32 Though they know God's righteous
decree that those who practice such things deserve to die, they not only do
them but give approval to those who practice them.