

When Everyone Knows God

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: Romans 1:18-32.

B. It is necessary to know where a person is to get directions. The first thing a person must know is the question God asks in Genesis—where are you?

C. Romans answers where a man is.

II. No one dies without a chance to know God—there is a universal revelation of God and no one has ever lived without knowledge of God.

A. Revelation is universal. (Psalm 19)

B. There is much knowledge we can have about God if we listen. (Hebrews 11)

1. God is a God of power—the power of nature shows a force behind all of it.
2. God's sovereignty is shown in the danger and power of nature.

C. It is not enough to know about God—one must act on it in faith.

III. God's charges against man who fail to respond rightly to God's revelation.

A. He does not give thanks.

B. They claimed to be wise.

1. When man insults God, he makes an idol of Him.
2. Man rejects Christianity because he has a caricature of Him in their mind.
3. This insults God.

IV. The result.

A. God gave men over to wicked passions.

B. He gave them over to a base mind.

C. The most frightening thing about God is that the nature of His wrath allows us to choose wrong.

D. The order that evil moves is from the physical to the emotional and ends up in the mind.

V. God's attitude is one of unending wrath and hatred towards this.

Application questions:

1. How would you respond to someone who says that Christianity is unfair because not everyone has a chance to know about God?

2. Is natural revelation enough to save a person from his sins? Explain.

3. Our culture teaches that God has a passive attitude towards our sins. How does the Bible teach something different?
