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The Wrath of God!

"For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness." Romans 1:18

You would be hard-pressed to walk into any church and not hear about the love of God. In our world, people often speak freely of God's love but rarely of His wrath. Yet the Bible teaches that God's wrath is a holy and just response to sin. It is not an uncontrolled rage, but the righteous judgment of a perfect God against all that is evil. To ignore this truth is to misunderstand His holiness.

Many of these same churches that talk about the love of God will tell anyone who will listen that you can remain in relationships that God forbids His followers to engage in. Churches often paint their steps in a rainbow of colors leading up to their church. LGBTQ flags fly proudly outside and even on the stage, where they stand behind the pulpit and preach heresv.

It is not love to lie to people so that they will feel welcomed and comfortable in their sin. To love someone means speaking the truth to them in love. People need to be warned of God's wrath. In Romans 1, we see evidence of God's wrath upon our nation. Paul writes, "For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men who suppress the truth in unrighteousness " (Rom 1:18). What does that wrath look like.

> "Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them. 25 For they exchanged the truth of 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 over to dishonorable passions; for their females exchanged the natural function for that which is unnatural, and in the same way also the males abandoned the natural function of the female and burned in their desire toward one another. males with males committing indecent acts and receiving in their own persons the due penalty of *their error* " (Rom 1:24-27).

In our country, it was the sexual revolution in the 60s and 70s, then the homosexual revolution in the 80s and 90s. Now we see the results of God's wrath mentioned in Romans 1:28 where Paul writes, "And just as they did not see fit to acknowledge God, God gave them up to a depraved mind, to do those things that are not proper" (NASB). Depraved minds are men thinking that they are women, depraved minds are people identifying as animals, depraved minds are men and women standing in churches and declaring you can be a practicing

would cause others to sin. Woe, be to those who do not fear the wrath of God. God poured out His wrath on His own Son. Jesus, God incarnate, never sinned, yet He suffered the wrath of the Father against the sin of all who would believe. If God did not hold back His wrath on His own Son, how much more will His wrath consume all who mock Him?

Your Shepherd Pastor Mark

homosexual, or transsexual, and be a Christian... Woe be to those who mock God. Woe be to those who Grace Gems

The Christian and Prayer-Charles Spurgeon

If any of you should ask me for the epitome of the Christian life, I would say that it is in one word--prayer. The habit of private prayer, is the surest indicator of the work of the Holy Spirit upon the soul.

The more a man loves God and becomes more like Jesus--the more delight he takes in heart-communion with God. All of our libraries and our studies are mere emptiness, compared with our prayer closets. We grow in Christ-likeness, in private prayer. Our prayers are the true gauge of our spiritual health.

I have now concentrated all my prayers into one: that I may die to self, and live wholly to Him. He who has the key of prayer can open Heaven! Yes, he has access to the heart of God! Nothing brings such leanness into a Christian's soul, as lack of prayer.

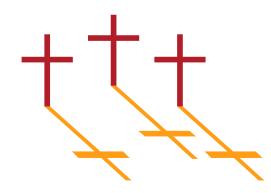
A prayerless soul, is a Christless soul.

A Christian's vigor, happiness, growth and usefulness--all depend upon prayer. Prayer is the indispensable mark of the true child of God. I would rather teach one man to pray--than ten men to preach! Nine times out of ten, spiritual declension from God begins in the neglect of private prayer. We make more real advance in the divine life in an hour of sincere prayer--than we do in a month of sermon-hearing!

Quote of the Week

"At Calvary, God treated Jesus as if He had lived your life, so He could treat you as if you had lived His."

- John MacArthur.



# Weekly Gatherings



### **Sunday Bible Classes**

Elders- Old Testament (Sanctuary A)
Bereans- New Testament (Sanctuary B)
Ladies- (Downstairs B, Gray Room)
Young Adults- (Downstairs B, Red Rm.)
Youth and Surge (5th-6th)- (Upstairs C)



#### **Weekday Meetings**

AWANA—Wednesday's 6:30-8:00 pm Men's Book Study—Monday at 7pm and Fridays at 6am



#### **Family Groups**

All Family Groups began **Sept 25th Host Families**: Tom & Penni Cox, Jesse & Deborah Royall, Larry & Gina Covington, Jeff & Bridget Brown, Alan & Leigh Anne Chambers and Mark & Trisha Keffer



#### **Build the Body Teams**

If you would like to serve on a BtB Team and need to sign up, please contact the team leader at the appropriate email



## **Youth Study**

Wednesdays @6:30PM Youth Study & Surge!



#### **Service Times**

Sunday School 9:00AM Children's Church 10:30AM Sunday Services 10:30AM Giving from service on 11/09/2025

 General Offering
 \$22,307.19

 Building Fund
 \$1,560.00

 Uganda
 \$50.00

 Benevolence
 \$280.00

Total......\$24,197.19 Attendance......222

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