

# When God Gives Up

## (Romans 1:28-32)

**Introduction:** Our God is a patient and loving Father. Yet, I wonder at times what would it be like if God just simply gave up on this sinful world and left us to our own ruin. The fact is the apostle Paul illustrates that very thing in the first chapter of the book of Romans. Sometimes God does give up on individuals who have given up on Him and His wrath is revealed from heaven.

### I. He Gives Them Up To Do As \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 1:24-25)

- A) Men became idolaters (vs. 21-23).
- B) Men have desired to be as God from the beginning (Genesis 3:5).

### II. He Gives Them Up To \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 1:26-27)

- A) Immorality is a short step from idolatry; self-deification leads to self-indulgence.
- B) Homosexuality is \_\_\_\_\_.
- C) Vile Passion - shame, disgrace, infamy, degradation.
- D) In the cesspool of sin the \_\_\_\_\_ for perversion affects the whole \_\_\_\_\_ (mind, body, spirit).

### III. He Gives Them Up To \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 1:28-31)

- A) God is all but forgotten, and where there is no consciousness of God, there is no restraint.
- B) All forms of immorality are then engaged in and note that all that is wickedness in the eyes of God.

### IV. He Assures Them of a \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 1:32)

- A) A man must pay for his sins (Romans 6:23).
- B) This judgment is not unfair, but rather righteous (Rom. 1:20).

### V. What Can We Do?

- A) \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 2:1-11).
- B) Walk in a \_\_\_\_\_ (Ephesians 4:1).
- C) \_\_\_\_\_ the message of Christ (1 Peter 2:9).
- D) Be \_\_\_\_\_ from sin (Rom. 3:23; 6:23; 6:4-7).

**Conclusion:** There is hope; but the hope does not lie in our society, but in God's children and the power of the gospel they live and proclaim. It is time to awake unto righteousness.

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