

# God Gave Them Up

## Romans 1:24-32

The main idea of Romans 1:24-32 is that is that pagan humanity's willful rejection of God and subsequent worship of something else, led God to give them up to their own desires as judgment, which manifests as homosexual behavior, which in turn, represents the comprehensiveness of human depravity.

- *The Marrow of Sin –vs 24 & 25*
- *A Manifestation of Sin –vs 26 &27*
- *The Magnitude of Sin –vs 28 thru 32*

*Yet you have forsaken me and served other gods; therefore I will save you no more. Go and cry out to the gods whom you have chosen; let them save you in the time of your distress.” (Judges 10:13-14)*

*And the LORD said to Samuel, “Obey the voice of the people in all that they say to you, for they have not rejected you, but they have rejected me from being king over them.” (1 Samuel 8:7)*

*“The heart is deceitful above all things, and desperately sick; who can understand it?” (Jeremiah 17:9)*

***Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: sexual immorality, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.” (Colossians 3:5)***

***“You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your might.” (Deuteronomy 6:5)***

***“Truly, truly, I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a slave to sin.” (John 8:35)***

***“Then the man said, “This at last is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; she shall be called Woman, because she was taken out of Man.” Therefore a man shall leave his father and his mother and hold fast to his wife, and they shall become one flesh. And the man and his wife were both naked and were not ashamed. (Genesis 2:23-25)***

***“If a man lies with a male as with a woman, both of them have committed an abomination; they shall surely be put to death; their blood is upon them.” (Leviticus 20:13)***

***“For this is the will of God, your sanctification: that you abstain from sexual immorality; that each one of you know how to control his own body in holiness and honor, not in the passion of lust like the Gentiles who do not know God...” (1 Thessalonians 4:3-5)***

***And I said: “Woe is me! For I am lost; for I am a man of unclean lips, and I dwell in the midst of a people of unclean lips; for my eyes have seen the King, the LORD of hosts!” (Isaiah 6:5)***

***“What comes out of a person is what defiles him. For from within, out of the heart of man, come evil thoughts, sexual immorality, theft, murder, adultery, coveting, wickedness, deceit, sensuality, envy, slander, pride, foolishness. All these evil things come from within, and they defile a person.” (Mark 7:20-23)***

***“When used simply, it reflects the unity of our inner being, and when used comprehensively, it describes the complexity of our inner being – as composed of mind (what we know), desires (what we love), and will (what we choose).” A. Craig Troxel on the biblical definition of “heart,” from With Your Whole Heart, Orienting Your Mind, Desires, and Will Toward Christ***

All humanity is under the righteous judgment of God, who has turned us over to our sinful desires. Nobody is immune. But there is hope. There is a solution - God sent his only Son to deal with this, through his life, death and resurrection.

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***A Song of Ascents. I lift up my eyes to the hills. From where does my help come? My help comes from the LORD, who made heaven and earth. He will not let your foot be moved; he who keeps you will not slumber. Behold, he who keeps Israel will neither slumber nor sleep. The LORD is your keeper; the LORD is your shade on your right hand. The sun shall not strike you by day, nor the moon by night. The LORD will keep you from all evil; he will keep your life. The LORD will keep your going out and your coming in from this time forth and forevermore.***

***(Psalm 121)***