

Valley Bible Church
Sermon Notes for April 9, 1989

“The Suppression of Truth has a Present Price”
Romans 1:24-32

Introduction: Still in the context of wrath, verse 24, “Therefore God gave them over in the lusts of their hearts to impurity, so that their bodies would be dishonored among them,” because of the suppression of the truth. Verses 24-32 are the continuing expression of the wrath of God. The “giving over” is the expression of His wrath. This explains why the world is so filled with sin.

Body:

1. God gave them over to impurity.

God removed Himself as a restraining force. Where is the judgment? It is here in Galatians 6:7, “Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, this he will also reap.” This is not a new kind of wrath, see Psalm 81:11-12 and Matthew 15:12-14.

Impurity: not pure; this impurity is sexual impurity. God allows them to dishonor their own bodies.

Repentance is the hope in this wrath. That these people, left to their own wickedness, going down this greased slide of impurity, might repent.