

Study Guide for July 24th, 2011: It is PLAIN. Romans 1:18-25

Introduction: Describe the differences you've observed between one who is grateful to God and one who self-sufficient (one who does not acknowledge God in his / her life).

I. The WRATH of God: (Rom. 1:18)

II. The KNOWLEDGE of God: (Rom. 1:19-20)

- A. What do all human beings do with the self-evident truth about God?
 - B. What can, and cannot, be known about God through creation?
(See also: Ps. 19:1-6; Acts 14:15-17, 17:22-31)
 - C. What conclusion does Paul make about the status of all human beings?

III. The WORSHIP of God: (Rom. 1:21-23)

- A. Paul states, “For although they **knew** God . . .” In what sense did they **know** him?
 - B. Given what is evident about God from creation, how should human beings respond?
 - C. What punitive action does God take for refuse to acknowledge him as their Creator?
 - D. How does Paul describe the folly and fall of humans into idolatry? (See Ps. 106:20)
What would you identify as the idols of choice of our age and culture?

IV. The RELEASE of God: (Rom. 1:24-25)