

Living Connections Bible Study



Give it to Me Straight

Prayer

Icebreaker: Describe a situation where you received bad news that set you on course to resolve your predicament.

Text: Romans 1:18-22

A dying man with a terrible disease is not going to get well by denying that he is sick, or by following folk remedies and prescriptions that are powerless to improve his condition. If he is smart he wants the doctor to give him an honest diagnosis, and then choose the right prescription, regimen, and remedy for the cure.

1. What is the bad news that every member of the human race needs to face?
Romans 3:23, 6:23, 1 Corinthians 6:9-10, Romans 3:10, Isaiah 64:6-7, Romans 1:18

2. How has God revealed His wrath against sin in the past? Romans 1:18

Genesis 6:13 _____

Genesis 18:20, 19:24-25 _____

Exodus 7:3-5 _____

Leviticus 18:1-3, 24-25 _____

3. What other way has God revealed to man that judgment is coming against sin?
Romans 1:19, Ecclesiastes 3:11, Romans 2:15, Galatians 6:7-8

4. What was the most amazing display of God's wrath against sin?
John 3:16, 2 Corinthians 5:21, Isaiah 53:4-6

5. Define and discuss the ungodliness and unrighteousness of men.
Verses 18, 29-32, Galatians 5:19-21

6. In what three ways has God revealed the truth to men about Himself, about origins,
about sin, and the need for redemption? Verses 18-20

2 Timothy 3:16 _____

Romans 1:19, 2:14-15 _____

Romans 1:20, Psalm 19:1-4, 139:14, Colossians 1:16-17 _____

7. Which attributes of God can we learn about from His marvelous creation? Verse 20
Colossians 1:16-17

8. Why is it that men suppress the truth about God that He has revealed to them?
Verse 18

9. How has man failed to fulfill the purpose for which He was created?
Verse 21a, Isaiah 43:7, Revelation 4:11

10. What should man's response be to the marvelous creation around us, including God's
provision and care? Verse 21b, Romans 2:4, Acts 14:17, 1 Thessalonians 5:18

11. What alternative do unbelievers have when they reject God as the Creator of all things,
and what happens to his heart? Verses 21c-23

Think About it this week

Do an internet study on the *Anthropic Principle*, the scientific evidence that the earth was uniquely created for the provision and survival of man. If gravity, the tilt of the earth's axis, the thickness of the earth's crust, the tides, oxygen and carbon dioxide levels, rotation of the earth, distance from the sun, the 24 hour day, and dozens of other things were off even just a little life on earth could not exist as we know it.