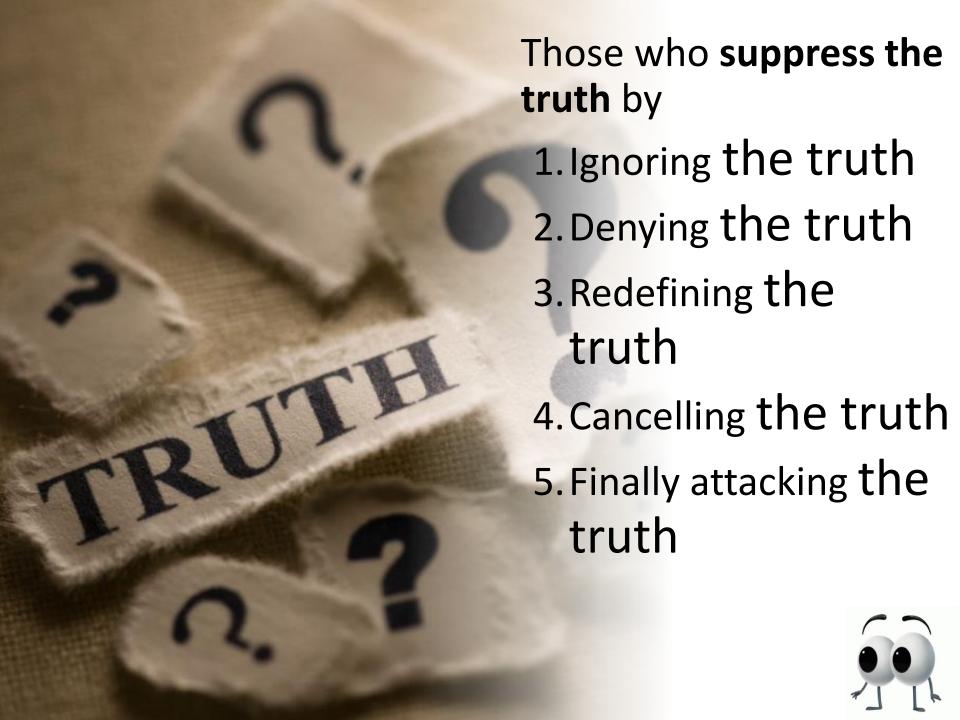
Having so far beaten everyone to a spiritual pulp the Apostle begins in this part of chapter 3 to offer up some hope as he begins to inject an antidote to the crisis everyone finds themselves in.







In doing so they have not killed the God of truth but have substituted the God of truth with worthless idols





The evidence of this exchange

of Gods is given

Homosexuality

Unrighteousness Wickedness

Evil

Envy Murder

Strife

Greed

Deceit

Malice

Slander Hatred

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Insolence

Boasting

Gossiping

Scheming

Disobedience to parents

Lack of understanding

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Untrustworthiness

Unmerciful

Unloving

The apostle's emphasis on homosexuality is not because it's the worst sin but the first sin which rears its head in a truth deprived society and it is the most personally destructive sin

It stands in contrast to the original creation covenant given to Adam and Eve

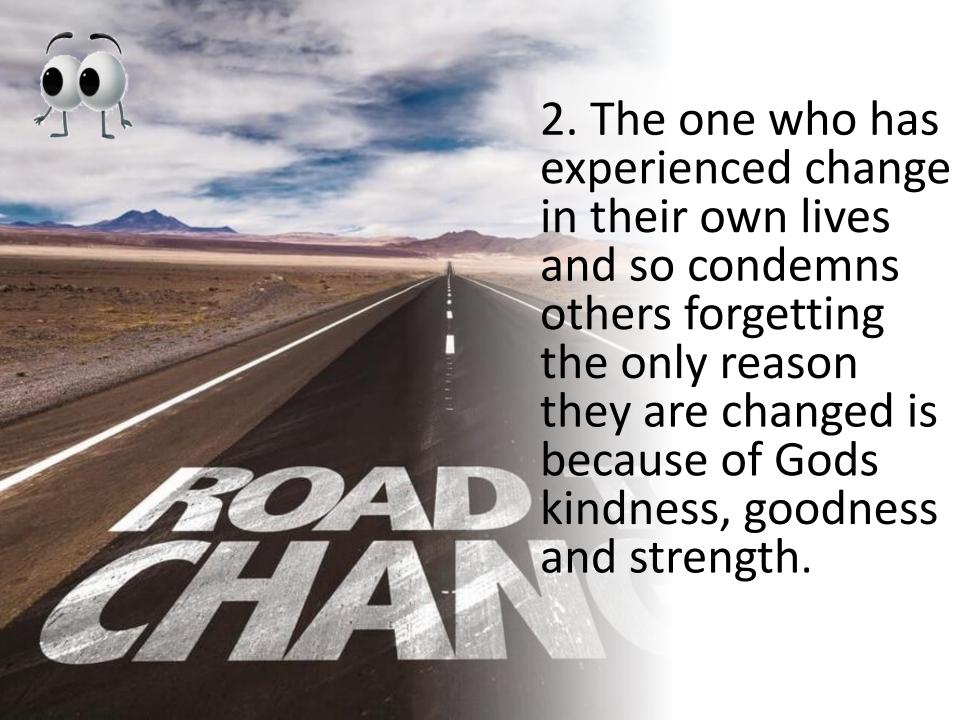
- 1. Where God created men and women for companionship with each other
- 2. Where God gave sexual intimacy to men and women (two become one)
- 3. Where God gave families to give a safe and loving environment to grow mature and multiply

Having delt a moral blow to pagan sinners the apostle turns his attention to any proud and selfrighteous sinners





1. The one who outwardly condemns sin in others (because they know Gods ordinances) yet secretly do the same things



3. Other hypocrites include

- a) The well dressed up religious hypocrite good on the outside, rotten inside
- b) I'm glad I'm not like him hypocrite
- c) The do what I say but take no notice of what I do hypocrite
- d) The carry-on regardless hypocrite, not realizing Gods infinite omniscience and judgements





God's remedy to such hypocrisy is Psalm 139 to become more conscious of Gods omniscience

- God knows me inside and out
- God knows my every situation
- Gods understanding of my thoughts
- God knows my future
- God knows my every word
- Gods hand then is always on me



He sees us just as we are



NOW

The apostle would like us to see ourselves as God sees us, so we are unable to:

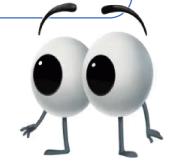
- 1. Claim ignorance of Gods laws as an excuse
- 2. Claim inability to keep Gods law as and excuse
- 3. Claim special privilege because of <u>inheritance</u> for not being subject to the law
- 4. Claim <u>institution</u> (Custom or tradition) for not being subject to the law

The apostle returns again to his theme to deal with even more persistent sinners



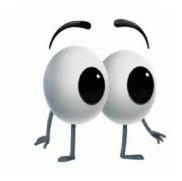
Those who would suppose they are exempt from God's wrath because they are Gods special people e.g. the Jews

Answer – Special because you were entrusted with the oracles of God but you are still sinners

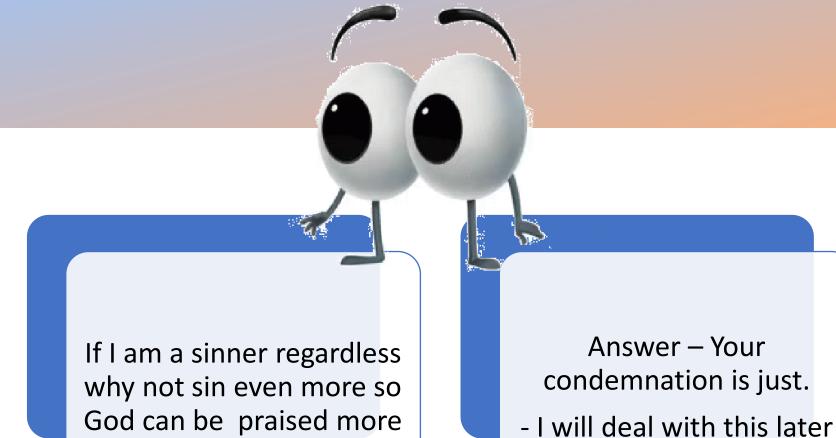


Those who would claim universal salvation for all Jews because if that

was not so God would be unfaithful



Answer – The responsibility for sin and death lies on with men, God will always be faithful



Are you a Greek or a Gentile

- You stand condemned before God because you are a sinner



Are you a Jew

- You stand condemned before God because you are a sinner



Are you anyone else

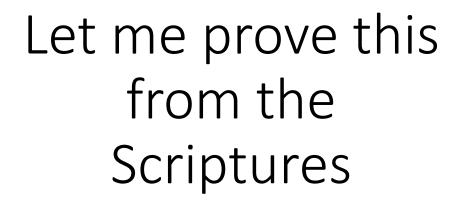
- You stand condemned before God because you are a sinner







You all are under Gods Holy Judgements



BANG!

SECOND BARRELL

6 Psalms, 1 Isaiah passage, 13 points made



- 1. There is none righteous
- 2. There is none who understands
- 3. There are none who seek after God
- 4. All have turned aside and are useless
- 5. There are none who do good
- 6. Everyone's throats are open graves
- 7. Deception is on their tongues
- 8. Poison is on their lips
- Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness
- 10. Their feet are swift to shed blood
- 11. Destructive and misery are in their paths
- 12. They know nothing of peace
- 13. There is no fear of God before their eyes

FOR ALL HAVE SINNED AND FALL SHORT OF THE GLORY OF

G (C) (D) ROMANS 3:23