

Romans 1:18-25

v18	wrath	(noun)	anger
v18	godlessness	(noun)	the characteristic of thinking and acting without consideration of God
v18	wickedness	(noun)	evil; sinfulness; thoughts and behaviour that is against what God wants
v18	suppress the truth	(phrase)	hide the truth; prevent other people from learning to truth
v19	plain	(adjective)	obvious; clear
v20	'the creation of the world'		the time when the world was made
v20	invisible	(adjective)	unable to be seen
v20	qualities	(noun)	characteristics
v20	eternal	(adjective)	everlasting; unending
v20	divine	(adjective)	belonging to God
v20	clearly	(adjective)	obviously
v20	excuse	(noun)	a reason given for why something was (or was not) done
v21	glorified	(verb)	worshipped; praised
v21	futile	(adjective)	pointless; has no chance of succeeding
v21	foolish	(adjective)	opposite of wise; showing poor judgment
v22	fools	(noun)	people who show poor judgment; people who are not wise
v23	exchanged	(verb)	swapped; replaced with something else
v23	glory	(noun)	awesomeness; greatness
v23	immortal	(adjective)	never dies; lasts forever
v23	mortal	(adjective)	does not last forever; will die one day
v23	reptiles	(noun)	animals that are cold blooded, lay eggs and have scales (e.g. snakes, lizards, crocodiles)
v24	sexual impurity	(noun)	sexual behaviour that does not follow God's design for sex (i.e. to only be between a man and a woman who are married to each other.)
v24	degrading	(noun)	causing something to become worse; causing something to be less respected or valuable
v25	Creator	(noun)	the one who creates everything (i.e. God)
v25	Amen		a word said to express agreement; literally "I mean it"

Romans 1:18-25 (New International Reader's Version)

¹⁸ God shows his anger from heaven. It is against all the godless and evil things people do. They are so evil that they say no to the truth. ¹⁹ The truth about God is plain to them. God has made it plain. ²⁰ Ever since the world was created it has been possible to see the qualities of God that are not seen. I'm talking about his eternal power and about the fact that he is God. Those things can be seen in what he has made. So people have no excuse for what they do.

²¹ They knew God. But they didn't honor him as God. They didn't thank him. Their thinking became worthless. Their foolish hearts became dark. ²² They claimed to be wise. But they made fools of themselves. ²³ They would rather have statues of gods than the glorious God who lives forever. Their statues of gods are made to look like people, birds, animals and reptiles.

²⁴ So God let them go. He allowed them to do what their sinful hearts wanted to. He let them commit sexual sins. They made one another's bodies impure by what they did. ²⁵ They chose a lie instead of the truth about God. They worshiped and served created things. They didn't worship the Creator. But he is praised forever. Amen.

John 3:16-21

v16	perish	(verb)	die; come to an end; be destroyed
v16	eternal	(adjective)	everlasting; unending
v17	condemn	(verb)	say something is very bad or unacceptable; give punishment for wrong that has been done
v19	verdict	(noun)	the decision given by a judge or jury in a court of law
v19	deeds	(noun)	actions
v20	exposed	(adjective)	not hidden; available for viewing
v21	plainly	(adverb)	easily noticed or recognised

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¹⁶ God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son. Anyone who believes in him will not die but will have eternal life. ¹⁷ God did not send his Son into the world to judge the world. He sent his Son to save the world through him. ¹⁸ Anyone who believes in him is not judged. But anyone who does not believe is judged already. They have not believed in the name of God's one and only Son. ¹⁹ Here is the judgment. Light has come into the world, but people loved darkness instead of light. They loved darkness because what they did was evil. ²⁰ Everyone who does evil deeds hates the light. They will not come into the light. They are afraid that what they do will be seen. ²¹ But anyone who lives by the truth comes into the light. They live by the truth with God's help. They come into the light so that it will be easy to see their good deeds.

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