

**"Why Mankind Stands Guilty Before A Righteous God"**

**(The Rational Sinner) – Part One**

**Romans 1:17-23**

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Introduction:

Broad Outline:

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I. The Doctrine of Condemnation: (1:18-3:20)

A. The Rational Sinner. (1:18-32)

**1. The Declaration of God's Righteous Anger and Wrath: "God is ALIVE and ANGRY!" (Romans 1:18a)**

What a Holy God Has Done:

A. He has revealed His righteous anger and wrath. (v.18,19; 2:5)

**II. The Declaration of Man's Reason: "God Is Dead!" (Romans 1:18,19)**

What Ungodly Man Has Done and is Doing.

A. He tries to drown out the voice of God in his conscience. (v.18,19)

B. He tries to ignore the voice of God in creation. (v. 19b)

**III. The Declaration of God's Revealed Truth. "God is TRUTH!" (v.17-20)**

What a Righteous God Has Done:

A. He has revealed truth to man of His holiness and righteousness. (v.17)

B. He has revealed truth to man by His creation and through mankind's conscience. (v.19,20)

**IV. The Declaration of Man's Guilt. "Man is DEAD and worthy of Judgment!" (v.20-23)**

What an Ungodly Man Does:

A. He sees, understands and believes there is a God. (v.20,21a)

B. He stands defiant, unaccountable and unrepentant without excuse before a holy God. (v.20b)

C. He stands in open rebellion as a hater and enemy of God. (v.21,30)

D. He is unthankful and ungrateful in his depraved heart towards God. (v.21b)

E. He chooses to become an educated depraved fool. (v.21c,22)

F. He is an idolater. (v.23; Exodus 20:1-5)

Moment of Decision: