

# GROWTH GUIDE

GOOD NEWS-BAD NEWS // ROMANS 1:18 // FEBRUARY 28 – MARCH 5, 2021

**What is a Growth Guide?** Simply, a tool. This is a tool to help you grow with God. Use this guide to take some notes from the Sunday message and to personally study the scriptures for the week. Talking through the message during the week helps you and your Growth Group turn what God is saying to you into action steps in your life. You can use this study guide with your Growth Group, your family, or on your own.

**What are Growth Groups? Growth Groups** are sermon-based small groups that meet primarily in homes. They use this guide as a tool to help facilitate discussion and learning around God's Word. To join a group, visit [mycpointe.com/groups](http://mycpointe.com/groups)

## MESSAGE OUTLINE

Romans 1:16-17 (ESV)

God's wrath is his settled hostility toward sin.

Romans 1:18 (ESV)

His wrath is being revealed

Ephesians 2:3

## PRAY

- Ask God to clear your mind and help you focus. Ask God to speak to you as you work through this guide by yourself and with your Growth Group.

## OPEN

1. What's one big idea or concept that spoke to you from the message? Do you have a main take away?
2. Our days and weeks are often filled with bad news. Think of all the good news you can, praise God for it. Share some good news with your group.

## **READ, HEAR, & LIVE THE WORD OF GOD**

1. Read Romans 1:16-17
  - a. How did Paul feel about the gospel? Do have the same passion for the gospel?
  - b. Why was he not ashamed of it?
  
2. Read Romans 1:18
  - a. What is being revealed...and to whom is it being revealed?
  - b. What is being revealed in v 17...and to whom is it being revealed?
  - c. What are some contrasts in between verses 17-18?
  
3. What are the 'men' doing in vv. 18-19?
  - a. What does the word 'suppress' imply? What specifically are they suppressing?
  
4. Is Paul talking about believers in v18? Or, is Paul describing unbelievers? How can you know for sure from the text?
  
5. In v20 Paul tells us that these men who continuously suppress truth about God are without excuse. They are under the wrath of God. Does this apply today?
  
6. Is God's wrath being revealed against people today who continuously suppress the truth...or is this just referring to people in the past?
  
7. Why do you think someone might suppress truth about God?
  
8. How do these verses effect your understanding of God's character?
  
9. Was there a time in your life when you suppressed truth about God? What caused you to stop suppressing truth and turn to God in faith?

## **PRAY FOR YOUR FAMILY & FRIENDS**

As we study these truths over the coming weeks, think of some family members or friends who do not know God and commit to praying for their salvation.

- Spend a few minutes asking God who He wants to be on your list.
- Write their names down on paper and place it in your Bible as a bookmark for Romans.
- Start praying!