

— Romans 1.21-31 —
Romans Series 5
The Way Life Is

Romans 1.21 ... although they knew God, they did not glorify Him as God, nor were thankful, but became futile in their thoughts, and their foolish hearts were darkened. 22 Professing to be wise, they became fools, 23 and changed the glory of the incorruptible God into an image made like corruptible man—and birds and four-footed animals and creeping things. 24 Therefore God also gave them up to uncleanness, in the lusts of their hearts, to dishonor their bodies among themselves, 25 who exchanged the truth of God for the lie, and worshiped and served the creature rather than the Creator, who is blessed forever. Amen. 26 For this reason God gave them up to vile passions. For even their women exchanged the natural use for what is against nature. 27 Likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, burned in their lust for one another, men with men committing what is shameful, and receiving in themselves the penalty of their error which was due. 28 And even as they did not like to retain God in their knowledge, God gave them over to a debased mind, to do those things which are not fitting; 29 being filled with all unrighteousness, sexual immorality, wickedness, covetousness, maliciousness; full of envy, murder, strife, deceit, evil-mindedness; they are whisperers, 30 backbiters, haters of God, violent, proud, boasters, inventors of evil things, disobedient to parents, 31 undiscerning, untrustworthy, unloving, unforgiving, unmerciful ...

* Instinctively, everyone knows that happiness is ... and that life is ...

* It's not that way for the animals. Why is it that way for us?

* Jeremiah 9.23-24 says:

* John 17.3 says:

* Ecclesiastes 3.11 says:

* Our relationship with our Father, the infinite personal God, is ...

* Going through life without a proper relationship with God is like ...

* When Adam and Eve fell ...

* What became the new normal for the human race?

* How did the new normal show up?

* How does Paul describe the new normal in our text?

* Application:

(1) Something to understand:

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(2) Something to help you witness:

(3) Something to help your walk: