

GOD REVEALED IN ROMANS
SSG 6-26-16 Syl Scorza
Romans 1:18-32

Intro - During most of the summer our lessons come from the first eight chapters of Paul's letter to the Romans. One advantage of writing to a church he had not yet visited was that he could carefully organize his message without any distractions. He thought of it as God's news of salvation, so all our lesson titles will imply communication from God.

- I. God Revealed in Nature. 1:18-23
 - A. Creation Available.
 - B. Rebellion in Looking.

God has used two major channels for revealing himself to the creatures made in his image. The first is the universe which he created and turned over to humans to care for. God himself is invisible, but he has shown his power and his attributes through nature. Men and women accepted the supervisory role, but they rebelled against God and began worshipping created objects in nature rather than the Creator.

- II. God Revealed in News. 1:24-32
 - A. Calling Available.
 - B. Refusal to Listen.

The second channel is revelation by calling individuals to record and preserve clear messages of direction and warning through voices, visions and dreams. Through centuries they have been collected to form the Word of God, the Bible. The laws and orders he gave they subverted in disobedience. As the alternate outline below reports, the two channels are known as general and special revelation from God.

The series from Romans continues into August, but that set of monthly lessons has not yet been published. These are tentative titles through July:

6-26 God Revealed in Romans	7-24 Peace Found in Romans
7-3 Both Sinners in Romans	7-31 New Life in Romans
7-10 Sin Punished in Romans	
7-17 Righteousness Shown in Romans	

- 1. General Revelation from God.

2. Special Revelation from God.