How Could God Allow ‘this’ to Happen?
Romans 1:24-32

PROPOSITION: Whether we are using God given desires outside of His limits or doing what He has forbidden or intellectually excusing doing what is wrong, God loves us too much not to

I. What we know about God (Rom 1:1-23 review)

A. A powerful God exists who created the universe and life itself

B. This true God has taken the initiative to offer us “good news” (the gospel) through Jesus Christ’s death on the cross for our sins and His bodily resurrection from the dead.

C. We have chosen not to glorify this true God, thank Him for what He gives us, or held to His truth

D. God loves us too much not to awaken us to the truth we don’t want to hear

II. God gave them over to “sinful desires of their hearts” Romans 1:24-25

A. Using desires in wrong contexts

B. Human physical sexual relations are for marriage

C. v 25 rephrases v 21-23

III. God gave them over to “shameful desires” Romans 1:26-27

A. Strong desires that should never be acted on

B. “Out of biological design” physical sex is always wrong

C. There are built in consequences

IV. God gave them over to “deprived mind” Romans 1:28-32

A. Doing what ought not be done

B. These common actions are often rewarded short-term

C. Progresses to approve, encourage and advocate the wrong actions & others to join in

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