Week 3 - Romans Series

Sermon-based Growth Group Questions

Introductory Discussion:

What was "the takeaway" (the most important point) from Sunday's sermon and/or the sermon text, in your opinion?

What insight from Sunday's sermon did you find most helpful, or eye-opening, or troubling (pick any or all of the above)?

Read Romans 1:16-23

Discussion:

- 1. What is your most vivid childhood memory of being disciplined? How did you feel about it then? Now?
- 2. If verse 17 is the solution, how do verses 18-21 describe the problem?
- 3. From verses 19-21 (Also Psalm 8:3-4; Psalm 19:1; Psalm 139:13-15), what do you know about God through nature?
- 4. What phrases in verses 18, 21-23 describe attitudes or actions which lie behind the various acts of evil?
- 5. Isn't God a loving God? How could He have wrath? Is his wrath like ours when we are angry? What is the difference? What is the focus of his wrath?
- 6. What does it mean when it says "what is known about God is evident within them"? How has God made it evident to them?
- 7. How can we apply a proper understanding of this passage to gospel sharing?
- 8. What is the difference between ungodliness and unrighteousness? How is man guilty of both?
- 9. In very practical terms, how do men suppress the truth? (vs. 18)
- 10. (v. 18-21) Why does Paul say that all human beings are "without excuse" if they don't seek or serve God?

Prayer: Take time to pray together as a group.