

No Excuses

Romans 1

If we begin to think over the past 10 years, most of us will agree these are particularly challenging years for Christians in our culture. In many significant ways, a new world has dawned for us. And, apart from Christ and the Word of God we will be assimilated by our culture. Even when we are in Christ, it's something we must guard against (Romans 12:2). **But know this**... as we stand firm on the Word of God we are quickly becoming strangers in our own land.

We are seeing today a clear distinction, a clear separation between people who BELIEVE and PRACTICE what the Word of God teaches, and those who decide to PICK and CHOOSE which PARTS of the Bible they will believe and practice. Now there is a conflict between what the **Bible** teaches... and what our **culture** decides what is right or wrong.

Romans 1 is so important and so relevant. It will help us understand how this has happened, and how we can unashamedly, unapologetically and boldly stand firm on the Word of God and live our faith out loud!

RECOGNIZING GOD'S REVELATION IN _____.

Romans 1:20; Psalm 19:1-2

MAN'S _____ TO GOD'S 2NATURAL REVELATION.

Romans 1:21a Man's response today is two-fold.

1. _____(v18)

2. An _____

The key word here is _____ (vv. 23, 25, 26).

How do we leave this sanctuary today and live as Christians in our 21st century culture? Here are a few suggestions:

Be guided by the _____ in all we do and how we live.

(2 Tim 2:15)

Respond _____ to God, with _____ in His perfect plan.

(Jer. 29:11)

Have the courage and strength to stand firm in the face of _____ and even _____. (Isa. 40:31)

Continue to be His instruments in _____ and _____ the lost.