### SMALL GROUP RESOURCE

Big Idea:

Wickedness is easy to share

### **SCRIPTURE READINGS:**

Isaiah 40:26-31 Matthew 19:4-6

Colossians 1:9-17

Hebrews 12:25-29

Acts 15:19,20

Galatians 5:19-21

Matthew 7:1-5

### **DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:**

### Romans 1:18-2:4

What are God's invisible qualities? Go beyond the list that Paul provides.

Which of God's invisible qualities did Jesus make visible? What happens when we reject God as creator of the universe?

What is worship?

Look up these words in a Bible dictionary and discuss how they are connected: worship, honor, glorify, and serve. Why is sexual sin such a big deal to God? When you see sin in the lives of others how do you respond? Do you want to join them? Do you condemn them? Do you want to fix them? Do you want them include them in your community?

### **PRAYER FOCUS:**

Father, creator of the universe, I am a sinner.
I have rejected you too often
and made other things more important than You.
I am grateful that you love me and want me as your child.
I want you to be the most important thing in my life,
now and forever.

### **FAMILY RESOURCE**

Big Idea: Wickedness is easy to share

### **READ ROMANS 1:18**

How does wickedness/evil hide truth?
Take a picture of something that needs to be cleaned.
After cleaning it, take another picture.
Compare the pictures.

### **READ ROMANS 1:19-20**

How is God seen in His creation? Take a walk and talk about the things God has made.

### **READ ROMANS 1:22-23**

Make a man, a bird, a snake, and a cow out of playdough. Why would you pray to and serve what you have made?

### **READ ROMANS 1:28**

What happens when we don't work at knowing God?

Work at learning a memory verse.

### **READ ROMANS 1:29-31**

Choose what you think is MOST wicked from the list. Pick a word from these verses that you don't understand and find out what it means.

What words from this list describe you?

### **READ ROMANS 1:32**

Tell about a time when you got someone else to join you in doing something you shouldn't have done.

### **READ ROMANS 2:1-4**

When you point a finger at someone else, how many of your fingers are pointing at you?

Look in a mirror. How are we all alike?

Why is God kind, tolerant, and patient with us?

### **MEMORY VERSE:**

What, then, shall we say in response to this?
If is for us, who can be against us?
He who did not spare his own,
but Him up for us all—how will He not also
along with Him, graciously give us all
8:31-32

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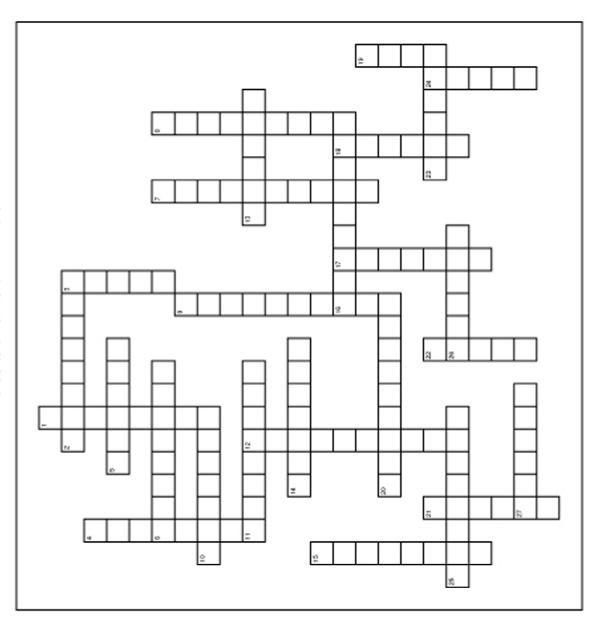
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## Romans 1:18-2:4

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## Across

- hatred (Romans 2:4)
- useless (Romans 1:21)
- made blacker (Romans 1:21) earn (Romans 1:32) ø.
- push down or cover up (Romans 1:18) keep (Romans 1:28) 5.4.6
- support and give an "okay" (Romans 4
- traded (Romans 1:23) 16.
- characteristics (Romans 1:20) get away from (Romans 2:3) 20.
  - - shown (Romans 1:18)
- great wealth (Romans 2:4)
  - idols (Romans 1:23)

## Down

- keep on (Romans 1:32)
- opposite of falsehood (Romans 2:2)
  - gentle behavior (Romans 2:4)
    - declaring guilty (Romans 2:1) worshipped (Romans 1:21)

      - evil (Romans 1:18)
- change from evil to good (Romans 2:4) wicked or evil (Romans 1:28)
  - 4.4.8.9.5.1.7.5
    - stated (Roman's 1:22)
- an explanation (Romans 1:20)
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    - anger (Romans 1:18) 21. keep (Romans 1:23) 22. anger (Romans 1:18
- 24. obvious (Romans 1:19)

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