

Homecoming

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## THE BLACK VELVET BACKDROP

The Wrath of God

(Romans 1:18)

- I. God's Wrath DENIED
  - A. Some consider it DISTASTEFUL
  - B. Some consider it ANTIQUATED
- II. God's Wrath DEFINED
  - A. God's FIERCE ANGER toward all that is CONTRARY to His HOLINESS
    - 1. He ABHORS ALL SIN
    - 2. He can TOLERATE NO SIN
    - 3. He must JUDGE ALL SIN
  - B. Without His wrath...
    - 1. God would be UNLOVING
    - 2. God would be UNJUST
    - 3. God would be UNHOLY
- III. God's Wrath DISPLAYED
  - A. His CATAclysmic Wrath
    - 1. In the UNIVERSAL FLOOD (Gen. 6:5-7, 17)

2. At SODOM and GOMORRAH (Gen. 19:13)
  3. On the EGYPTIANS (Exod. 7:14-14:31)
  4. On the CANAANITES (Josh. 6:21)
- B. His ABANDONMENT Wrath
1. Removes RESTRAINTS against SIN
  2. Turns him over to his own SINFUL DESIRES
- C. His LAST DAYS Wrath
1. Begins in the TRIBULATION
  2. Climaxes at ARMAGEDDON
- D. His ETERNAL Wrath
1. Falls on SATAN, his DEMONS, and UNREDEEMED humanity
  2. Described as TORMENT for ETERNITY
- E. His REDEMPTIVE Wrath
1. Christ is our SIN-BEARER and our WRATH-BEARER
  2. Every sin will either be PARDONED in CHRIST forever or  
PUNISHED in HELL forever
- IV. God's Wrath REALIZED—How should we RESPOND?
- A. We should respond with TREMBLING (Heb. 10:31)
  - B. We should respond with TRUST (1 Thess. 1:10)
  - C. We should respond with THANKSGIVING (Ps. 103:1-3, 10)