



Sermon Discussion Questions

"The End of Innocence"

Romans 1:18-32

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Opener:

What do you remember about the last sermon -- what stood out to you most? Why?

What causes you to be in awe of God? Walking along the seashore? Being in the mountains?

The questions below are meant to supplement the sermon, in part to try and offer additional points of interaction with the text. Feel free to ask your group your own questions regarding the sermon or text.

1. What have you observed in nature that confirms to you that God exists?
2. This is a rather descriptive passage in the bible on the "fall of humankind." In verse 18, what did humankind do when given "the truth" about God?
3. As a consequence of people's coming short in terms of accepting the truth, how did God respond (v 24, 26, 28)?
4. How do you tend to view God -- as a God of anger or love? Why?

How do you tend to view humanity -- as generally bad or good? Why?

Application:

5. What created things are most tempting for you to give priority in your life: Money? Pleasure? Food? Work? Other activities or hobbies?
6. When did the "truth of God" become real in your life? How has this reality developed?
7. Take some time and pray together, silently or aloud, and ask God to renew his truth to you. Ask God to awaken you to something new in your faith, to *revive* you both individually and as a group. Expect this week that God is answering your prayers.

*These questions were adapted from *The NIV Quiet Time Bible* (InterVarsity, 1996) and *The Serendipity Bible for Groups* (Zondervan, 1998).