

"Humanness Lost, Part 2"
Romans 1:21-32



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Message: Shawn Reese

We gather in worship to remind ourselves who God is, what he has done in Christ and what he is doing through his Spirit. Our desire is to praise God and receive afresh his Spirit in us, to affirm that we are family reconciled one to another and to be empowered to reach out to the world.

Family Life (see our website at PBCC.org for more info):

May 26th: **Life Together: Colorblind** 10:30am
May 26th: **Newcomer's Dinner** 5:30pm
June 2nd: **Grad Sunday**
Current-June 5th: **Isaiah Wednesday Night Class** 7pm
June 17th-21st: **Children's Ministry Summer Camp** 9am-12pm; 12pm-2pm
June 28th: **Young at Heart** 12:30pm
June 28th-June 30th: **HS Lake Trip**
Every Sunday: **Sunday AM Prayer Meeting** 8:30am
Every Sunday: **Body Life in Mandarin** 10:30am
Every 2nd/4th Sunday: **Church-Wide Prayer** 7:00am
Every Wednesday: **Intercessory Prayer** 6:30am (Zoom)

Praises & Prayer Requests

Please pray...

- a successful recovery from surgery and starting a new job.

PBCC Financial Information:

	<u>General Fund</u>		
	<u>Received</u>	<u>Disbursed</u>	<u>Gain/(Loss)</u>
April 2024	\$90,743	\$174,132	(\$83,389)
12-month average	\$163,645	\$173,500	(\$ 9,855)

	<u>Need Fund</u>	
	<u>Received</u>	<u>Disbursed</u>
April 2024	\$ 850	\$ 33
12-month average	\$ 2,964	\$ 1,990

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Call to Worship: Apostle's Creed

We believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
We believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.

He descended to the dead.
On the third day He rose again; He ascended to heaven,
He is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and He will come to judge the living and the dead.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy universal church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting.

Scripture Reading: 1 John 5:19-21 (NIV)

¹⁹ We know that we are children of God, and that the whole world is under the control of the evil one. ²⁰ We know also that the Son of God has come and has given us understanding, so that we may know him who is true. And we are in him who is true by being in his Son Jesus Christ. He is the true God and eternal life.

²¹ Dear children, keep yourselves from idols.

I. The Downward Exchange Into Idolatry (v 21-23)

²¹ For although they knew God, they neither glorified him as God nor gave thanks to him, but their thinking became futile and their foolish hearts were darkened. ²² Although they claimed to be wise, they became fools ²³ and exchanged the glory of the immortal God for images made to look like a mortal human being and birds and animals and reptiles.

II. Given Over to Idolatry (v 24-25)

²⁴ Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another. ²⁵ They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator—who is forever praised. Amen.

III. Given Over to Sexual Sin (v 26-27)

²⁶ Because of this, God gave them over to shameful lusts. Even their women exchanged natural sexual relations for unnatural ones. ²⁷ In the same way the men also abandoned natural relations with women and were inflamed with lust for one another. Men committed shameful acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their error.

IV. Given Over to All Kinds of Sin (v 28-32)

²⁸ Furthermore, just as they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, so God gave them over to a depraved mind, so that they do what ought not to be done. ²⁹ They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit and malice. They are gossips, ³⁰ slanderers, God-haters, insolent, arrogant and boastful; they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents; ³¹ they have no understanding, no fidelity, no love, no mercy. ³² Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practice them.

V. Implications

- A. Naming Idols
 1. What do I fear?
 2. Where do I resist God's Word?
 3. What is it which gives me greatest delight?
 4. What do I tend to attach my identity to?
- B. Moving Forward By Glorifying and Thanking God (v 21)
- C. The Upward Exchange (2 Cor 5:21)