## - Week 6

### GOD'S RESPONSE TO SINNERS - Pt. 2

# "Helping people to know God through His Word" ANGER / WRATH God is compassionate and slow to anger abundant in lovingkindness (Exod. 34:6; Ps. 86:15) God's kindness, tolerance and patience lead to repentance (Rom. 2:4) God's anger is against sin (1 Kings 16:2) - idolatry (1 Kings 14:9; Jer. 8:19) - unbelief and disobedience

(John 3:36; Eph. 5:5-6)

- ungodliness (Rom 1:18; Jude 14-15)
- pride, arrogance (2 Chron. 32:25)
- hypocrisy (Matt. 23:27-28)
- suppression of truth (Rom. 1:18)
- complaining against God (Num. 11:1)
- injustice (Zech. 7:9-12)
- rejection of God's word and God's prophets (2 Kings 22:13; Zech 7:12)

#### God's anger

- is a consuming fire (Exo. 15:7; Heb 12:29)
- is hot displeasure (Deut. 9:19)
- is hard to comprehend fury (Ps. 90:11)
- is fierce (Josh. 7:26)
  - → who can stand in His presence when He is angry? (Ps. 76:7)

- God comes to hate those who continue to rebel and sin against Him

HATRED

(Jer. 7:27-29; 12:7-8)

- God hates sin and the sinner (Ps. 5:4-5: Ps. 11:4-7)

- God abhors and detests sin and those who do sin (Lev. 20:23: Deut. 18:12: Titus 1:16)
- sinners are an abomination to Him (Deut. 25:16; Rev. 21:8)
- God loathes those who err in their hearts, who could know but do not know His ways (Ps. 95:10)

The unrepentant sinner is storing up wrath for himself for the day of wrath and judgment (Nah. 1:3; Rom. 2:5-6)

# CONCLUSIONS

God's anger is consistent with His love, holiness and justice (Hab 1:13a; 3:2)

God expresses His anger presently in various ways - for example by:

- hiding His face (Jer. 33:5)
- plague (Num. 16:46)
- war (2 Chron. 12:7)
- exile and captivity (Ezra 5:12)
- afflictions (Ps.88:7)
- storms and tempests (Isa. 29:6)
- earthquakes (Jer. 10:10; Eze. 38:19)
- death (Acts 5:5.10)

God will pour out His wrath upon the whole world during the coming "day of wrath" (Zeph. 1:15, 18; Amos 5:18-20)

God's wrath always accomplishes His purposes (Jer. 23:20; 30:24)

- to punish the guilty (Lev. 26:28)
- to make His power and His glory known (Rom. 9:22-24)
- to make His name feared (Isa. 59:18-19)
- to magnify Himself and make Himself known (Eze. 38:22-23)