

A glowing blue brain is the central focus, set against a dark blue background with bright, jagged lightning bolts. The brain is rendered with a metallic, reflective texture, giving it a futuristic or high-tech appearance. The lightning bolts are white and yellow, creating a sense of intense energy and power. The overall color palette is dominated by blues and purples, with the white and yellow of the lightning providing high contrast.

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The Danger of a Depraved Mind

Introduction: Renewed Minds

Sometimes we see and
recognize danger far too late
to avoid disaster!

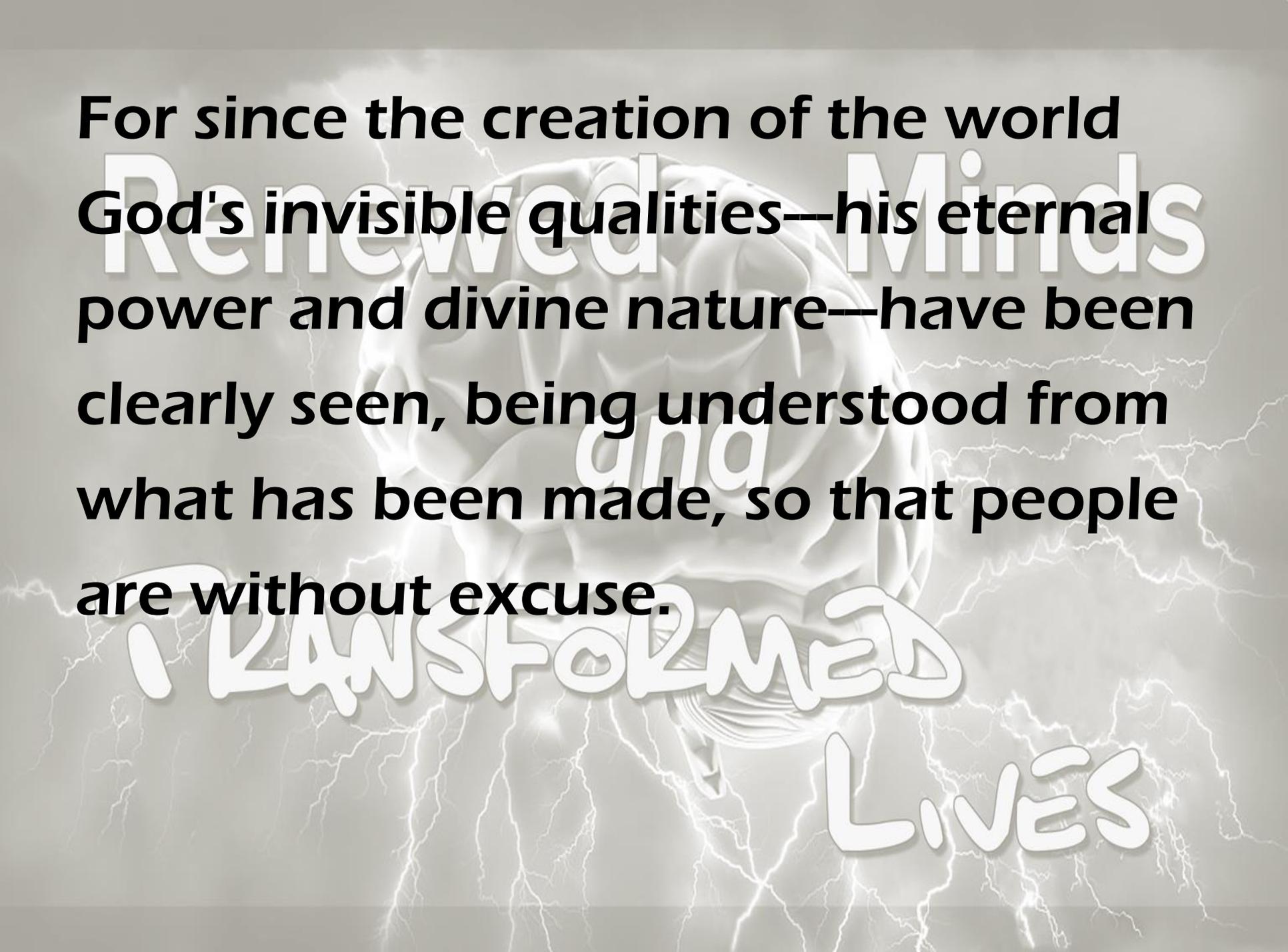
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Text: Romans 1:18-32

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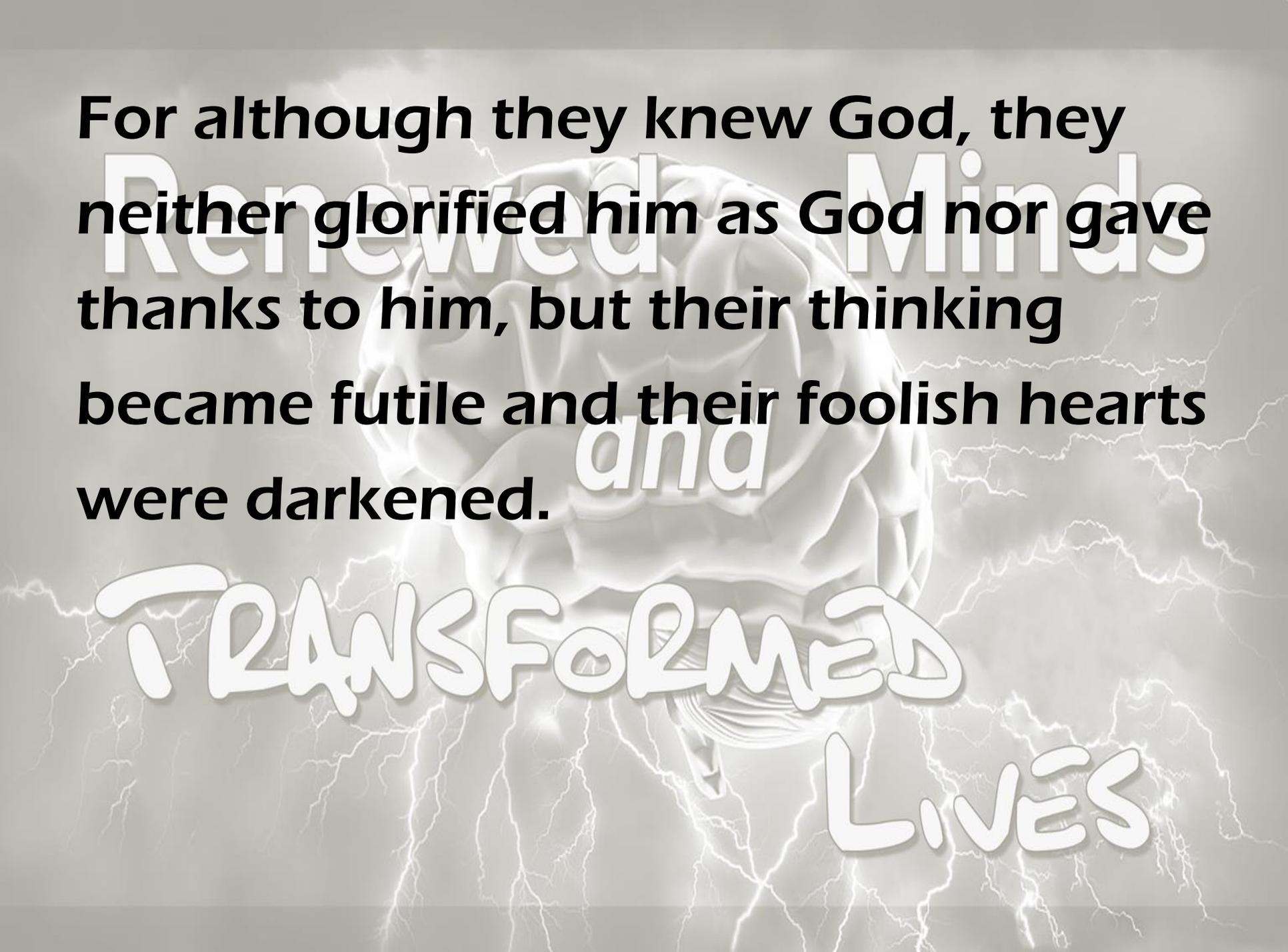
The wrath of God is being revealed from heaven against all the godlessness and wickedness of people, who suppress the truth by their wickedness, since what may be known about God is plain to them, because God has made it plain to them.



**For since the creation of the world
God's invisible qualities—his eternal
power and divine nature—have been
clearly seen, being understood from
what has been made, so that people
are without excuse.**

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**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.**

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**Although they claimed to be wise,
they became fools and exchanged
the glory of the immortal God for
images made to look like a mortal
human being and birds and animals
and reptiles.**

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Therefore God gave them over in the sinful desires of their hearts to sexual impurity for the degrading of their bodies with one another.

They exchanged the truth about God for a lie, and worshiped and served created things rather than the Creator — who is forever praised.

Amen.

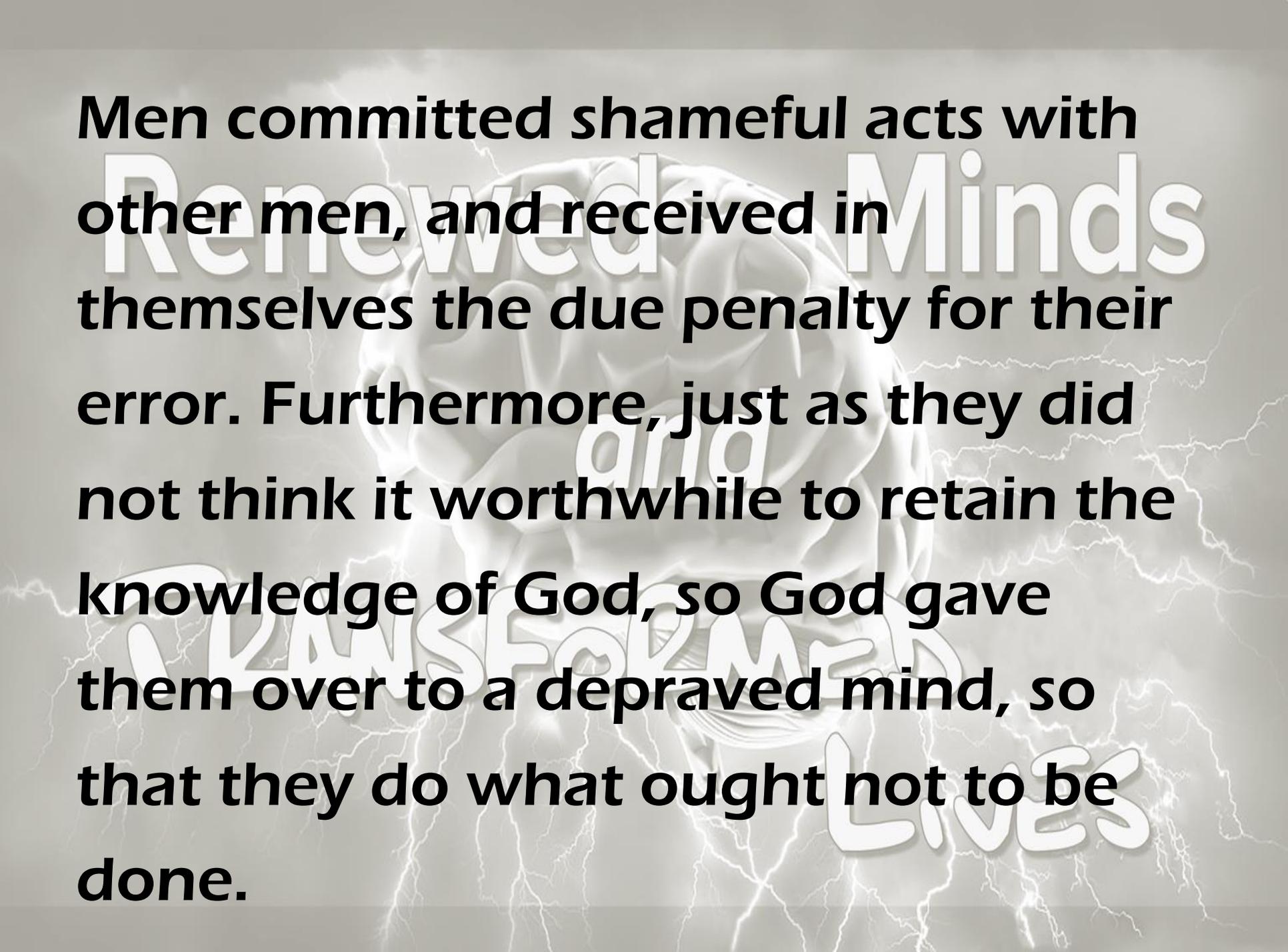
**Because of this, God gave them over
to shameful lusts.**

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**Even their women exchanged natural
sexual relations for unnatural ones.**

**In the same way the men also
abandoned natural relations with
women and were inflamed with lust
for one another.**

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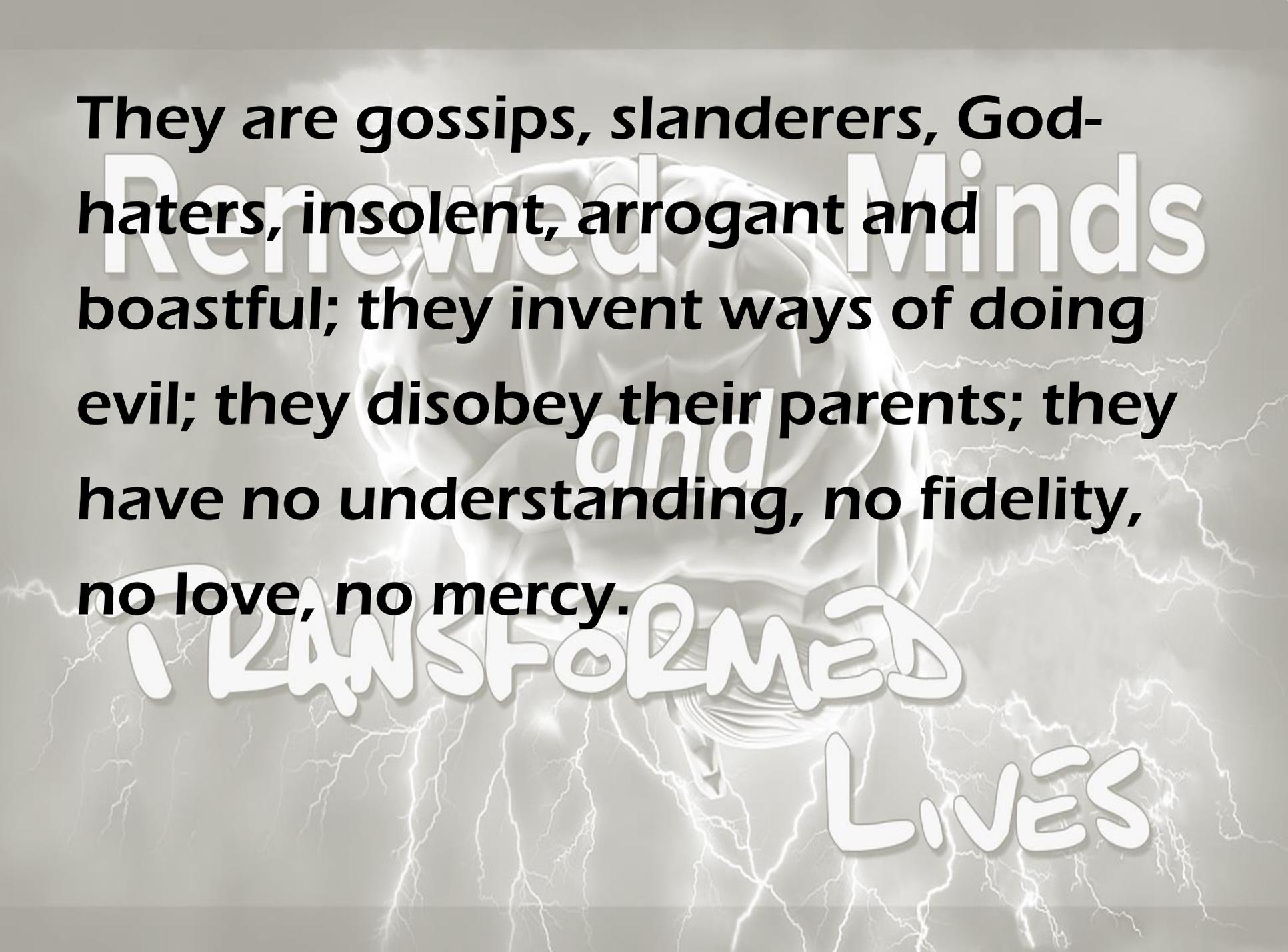
Men committed shameful acts with other men, and received in themselves the due penalty for their error. Furthermore, just as they did not think it worthwhile to retain the knowledge of God, so God gave them over to a depraved mind, so that they do what ought not to be done.

They have become filled with every kind of wickedness, evil, greed and depravity. They are full of envy, murder, strife, deceit and malice.

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They are gossips, slanderers, God-haters, insolent, arrogant and boastful; they invent ways of doing evil; they disobey their parents; they have no understanding, no fidelity, no love, no mercy.

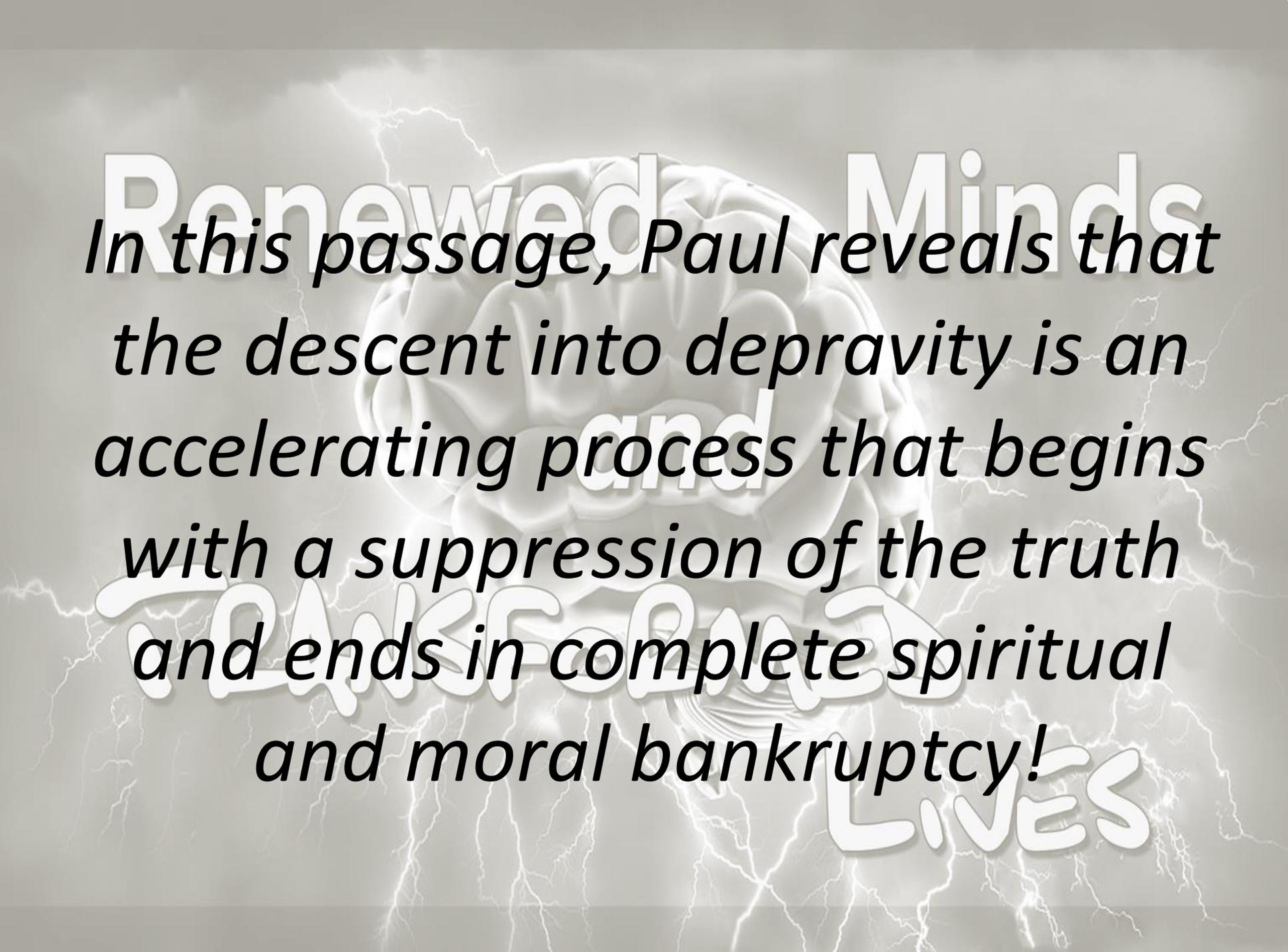
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Although they know God's righteous decree that those who do such things deserve death, they not only continue to do these very things but also approve of those who practice them.

Romans 1:18-32



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In this passage, Paul reveals that
the descent into depravity is an
accelerating process that begins
with a suppression of the truth
and ends in complete spiritual
and moral bankruptcy!*

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5 Downward Steps on the Descent to Hell

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A suppressing of the **TRUTH** that leads to the death of a spirit of awe and gratitude.

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A misdirection of **WORSHIP** from the Creator to the things He has created.

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A desire for **SEXUAL** **Minds**
GRATIFICATION in ways which
are **IMPURE.** *and*

A craving for ever-increasing
STIMULATION that continually
crosses old boundaries of
CONSCIENCE and **LIVES**
NORMALITY.

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A total loss of the capacity to distinguish
between **RIGHT** and **WRONG**.

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When a person's thoughts have become

FUTILE, and when their

FEELINGS have been deadened, how

will they **FIND** their way to God?

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The Old-Timers used to say that, "Sin will
TAKE you further than you intend to **GO**,
KEEP you longer than you intend to
STAY, and **COST** you more than you
intend to **PAY**." *and*

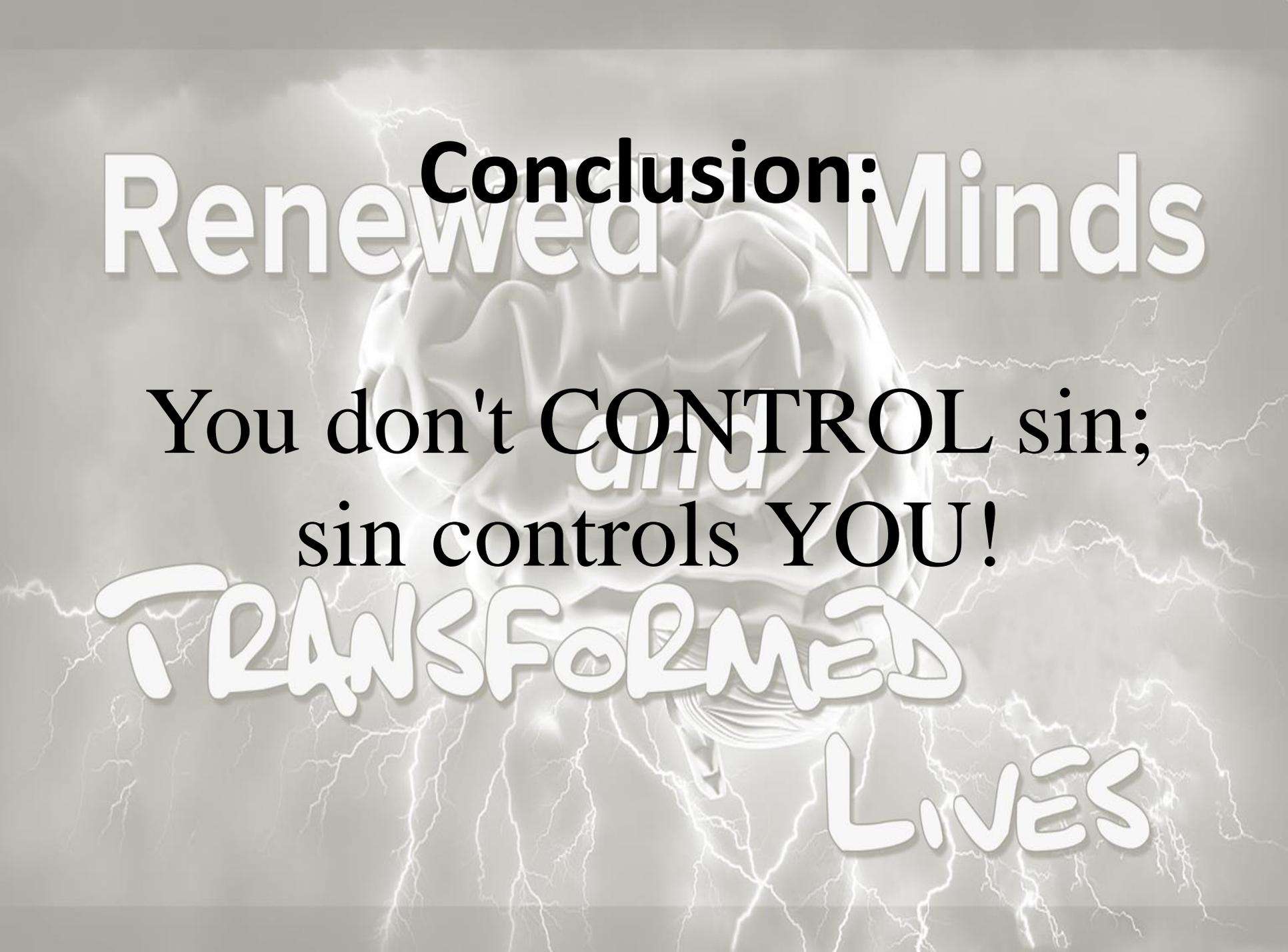
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Human monsters don't **INTEND** to end up
where they do, but rather are patiently and
carefully **DECEIVED!**

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Conclusion: Renewed Minds

You don't CONTROL sin;
sin controls YOU!

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