

Activity #3: Print this out for older student group leaders.

Group Discussion for Romans 1:18-32

6th-10th Grade: "Real-Life Decision Breakdown"

Purpose:

Encourages deeper thinking about truth, culture, and worldview & helps students identify modern forms of idolatry

What You Need:

- Whiteboard or paper
- Markers
- Scenario sheet (or read aloud)

Activity Steps:

1. Break into small groups (3-4 students)

Each group answers:

Part A – Can People Really Ignore God?

Discuss:

- If God has revealed Himself through creation, why do people still reject Him?
- What does creation teach us about God?
- Why are people accountable to God even if they don't want to acknowledge Him?

Romans 1:18-20

Have students discuss:

- God's creation
- God's power
- Human responsibility
- Rejecting truth

Part B – Truth, Lies & Worship

Have them discuss truth vs lies.

Romans 1:21–25

Discuss:

- Why people worship things other than God
- What modern idols might look like

God's Truth	Humanity's Exchange
Worship the Creator	Worship created things
Honor God	Ignore God
Give thanks to God	Become prideful
Follow truth	Believe lies

- How pride leads people away from God
- Why gratitude matters

Part C – Where Does Rejecting God Lead?

Ask: “What happens when people continually reject God's truth?”

Have students look up tie-in scriptures and connect:

- Proverbs 14:12 “There is a way which seems right to a man, but its end is the way of death.”
- 1John 8:32 “You will know the truth, and the truth will make you free.”
- Exodus 20:3 “You shall have no other gods before Me.”

Discuss:

- Sin grows when truth is rejected
- Wrong worship leads to wrong living
- God allows people to experience the consequences of rebellion
- Only the gospel can reverse humanity's downward path

Group Discussion Questions:

- Why do people often want God's blessings without wanting God Himself?
- What are some "idols" people worship today besides statues?
- Why is it dangerous to let culture define truth?
- How does the gospel rescue people from this downward spiral?

2. Personal or Out loud Reflection (Silent – 5 minutes)

Ask students to write or answer out loud: What distractions or idols compete for my attention more than God?

OR

How can I intentionally put God first this week?

Prayer & Reflection: Ask God to reveal anything that is competing for His place in your heart or getting in the way of your time with Him. Be willing to see those things for what they are—idols that can distract you from a deeper relationship with Christ. Confess them to God, lay them at His feet, and ask Him to help you love Him more than anything else. Pray for a heart that desires His presence above all else.

(No sharing required if done silently- keep it personal)

Key for Lesson: Every person worships something. When people reject God, they exchange truth for lies and move further into sin. But through Jesus, God provides a way to be forgiven, restored, and brought back into a right relationship with Him.