

| What is the main idea of this sermon?   | What key words/thoughts are important? |  |                         |
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| What did we learn about God from this passage?<br>What does God want me to do or believe in response to this message? |  |  |                         |
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## Day One—Sermon Application

- In his book, *The Problem of God*, Pastor Mark Clark says, ""There is a strange and mysterious design to the cosmos, an anti-randomness, that points strongly to a designer who created and crafted the world with very intentional precision and balance..." Spend some time in nature today. What are some evidences in nature that point strongly to a Designer/Creator?
- In Romans 2:15, Paul states that all people demonstrate that God's Law is written on the hearts of every person who has ever lived. What does that mean? What are some of the implications of this truth?
- In Romans 2:4 (NLT), the Bible says, "Don't you see how wonderfully kind, tolerant, and patient God is with you? Does this mean nothing to you? Can't you see that his kindness is intended to turn you from your sin?" What sin is in your life that you need to turn away from? Are you certain that you know Christ as Savior?

## Day Two—Worship Preparation

Focus today on the lyrics of the song entitled "O Church Arise."

- O church, arise, and put your armor on; Hear the call of Christ our captain. For now the weak can say that they are strong In the strength that God has given. With shield of faith and belt of truth, We'll stand against the devil's lies. An army bold, whose battle cry is love, Reaching out to those in darkness.
- Come, see the cross, where love and mercy meet, As the Son of God is stricken; Then see His foes lie crushed beneath His feet, For the Conqueror has risen! And as the stone is rolled away, And Christ emerges from the grave, This victory march continues till the day Ev'ry eye and heart shall see Him.

O Church Arise | Keith & Kristyn Getty (<u>https://youtu.be/x63cVewXAeg</u>)

## Day Three—Sermon Anticipation

Spend some time this week reading 2 Peter 3. As you are reading, consider this question: How can an all-loving God punish people with eternal suffering?

We should not say that God is going to send us to hell—He's not. God has provided an escape from eternal punishment, through His Son, Jesus Christ. Each of us must admit that I am a sinner and I cannot save myself. I must trust in the saving grace of Jesus Christ to receive the free gift of salvation.

## Read Romans 3. Why are people deserving of eternal punishment in hell? What does God provide as an alternative to justice for sin?