Comparison of Roman 1 and Ephesians 4

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| **Romans 1** | **Ephesians 4:17-19** |
| **Stage 1 Obstinacy** |  |
| 18 men… by their unrighteousness suppress the truth. 21 although they knew God, they did not honor him as God 28 they did not see fit to acknowledge God | 18 Due to their hardness of heart |
| **Stage 2 Darkness** |  |
| 21 they became futile (*mataioó*) in their thinking, and their foolish hearts were darkened  22 they became fools 28 a debased mind (*vous*) | 17 The futility (*mataioó*) of their minds (*vous*) 18a They are darkened in their understanding 18b The ignorance that is in them |
| **Stage 3 Death or Judgment** |  |
| 24 Therefore God gave them up (*paradidomi*) 26 For this reason God gave them up (*paradidomi*) 28 God gave them up (*paradidomi*) | 18 They are … alienated from the life of God  19 Given themselves up (*paradidomi*) |
| **Stage 4 Recklessness** |  |
| God gave them up (*paradidomi*) to— 24 Impurity 26 Dishonorable passions 27 Shameless acts 29–31 All manner of unrighteousness … | 19 They have become callous and have given themselves up (*paradidomi*) to sensuality   greedy to practice every kind of uncleanness |

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