Despairing Even of Life

2nd Corinthians 1:8-14 (series #4)

Introduction: the suffering of Job beyond the physical - he suffered from confusion

- he suffered from assumption

I. The Experience in Asia (Turkey) v. 8

- A. We don't know the specifics
- B. Our experiences may be different

II. The Result of the Experience v. 9

- A. "That we should not trust in ourselves"
- B. "...but in God who raises the dead"
- III. The Deliverance God provided v. 10 A. Daniel 3:13-17
 - B. Philippians 1:19

IV. The Importance of Prayer v. 11 A. So that many can give thanks

B. For the gracious favor of God

V. The Genuineness of Paul vv. 12-14

- A. He had a clear conscience v. 12
- B. He was always straightforward v. 13
- C. Mutual rejoicing in the day of Christ v. 14

Conclusion: we should not trust in ourselves but in God