

# **The Advantage of God's Word**

Romans 3:1-2

(series #22)

Introduction: Paul's indictment of Jews in 2:17-29

## **I. The Questions from the Imaginary Objector v. 1**

- A. What advantage has the Jew? (2:17-24)
- B. What is the profit of circumcision? (2:25-29)

## **II. The Problem of Trusting in the Wrong Things**

- A. Contemporary Examples
  - 1. Being born in America or a Christian home
  - 2. Being raised in the church or taught the word
- B. The Example of Paul in Philippians 3:3-7
  - 1. Rite - "circumcised the 8th day"
  - 2. Race - "of the stock of Israel"
  - 3. Rank - "of the tribe of Benjamin"
  - 4. Rituals - "a Hebrew of the Hebrews"
  - 5. Religion - "concerning the law, a Pharisee"
  - 6. Reward - "persecuting the church"
  - 7. Righteous deeds - "blameless"

## **III. The Chief Advantage of Being Jewish v. 2**

- A. Amos 8:11
- B. Matthew 15:3
- C. II Timothy 3:15
- D. Luke 16:22-31