

# Misguided Zeal

Romans 10:1-3

(series #68)

Intro: the Biblical tension between election and responsibility

## I. The Love of Paul for his lost kinsmen v. 1

A. He desired their salvation

1. - Romans 9:2

B. He prayed for their salvation

1. - II Timothy 2:10

## II. The Misguided Zeal of the Israelites v. 2

A. They were sincere, but sincerely wrong

B. Their ignorance was not innocent, it was wilful

## III. Their trust in their own righteousness v. 3

A. Romans 2:17-29

B. Philippians 3:4-7

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"

## IV. Concluding application: what are you trusting in?