

# Handling Misunderstanding

Acts 21:27-40

(series #85)

Intro: being treated wrongly for doing what is right

## **The Inaccurate Accusations vv. 27-28**

They twisted what Paul had said

They made a completely false accusation

The lesson for us: the power of the tongue

- James 3:5-8

## **The Inaccurate Assumption v. 29**

## **The Attempt to Kill Paul vv. 30-31**

- The blinding trap of religion

## **The Intervention of the Soldiers vv. 32-33**

## **The Emotional Frenzy of the Crowd vv. 34-36**

- The parallels with the death of our Lord

## **The Request of Paul vv. 37-40**

## **The Defense of Paul**

He didn't even answer their accusations

He took the opportunity to tell about Christ

## **Concluding principles of application:**

- Misunderstanding is inevitable and unpredictable

- Our reaction depends on who's in control