

The Misplaced Trust of the Jews

Text - Romans 2:17-29

Many Jews in Paul's day falsely trusted in three things to make them exempt from God's judgment:

- They had possession and knowledge of the _____
- They were _____ shortly after birth
- They were the _____ of _____

I. _____ - v.17-20

J. I. Packer writes: "A little knowledge _____ God is worth more than a great deal of knowledge _____ God.

- One can know a great deal _____ God without much knowledge _____ Him.
- One can know a great deal about _____ without much knowledge of God."

II. _____ - v.21-24

The Old Testament accused some Jews of stealing by:

- Taking _____ and charging excessive _____ to the poor - Ezekiel 22:12
- Using dishonest _____ and _____ - Amos 8:4-5
- Robbing God by withholding _____ - Malachi 3:8-9

v.22 - Some Jews committed adultery because:

- They undermined the teaching of _____ by simply _____ their wives so they could _____ another
- They committed adultery in their _____ by _____ after a woman
- They cheated on _____ by worshiping _____

v.24 - It is a simple fact that when _____ followers of Christ fall into _____ sin it does damage to Jesus' _____.

The Jews used their advantages to set themselves on a _____ instead of a _____ from which to help the _____ world come to Jehovah.

III. _____ - v.25-29

1) _____ doesn't save because it's about the _____ - v.25-27

2) Physical _____ doesn't save because God has no _____ - v.28-29

Paul's words in Romans 2:28-29 remind us of the words of:

- _____ in Matthew 3:4-9
- _____ in John 8:37-40