

Sermon Guide for Tribes March 17, 2024 Sermon Series: The Life of a Jesus Follower

Sermon Title: Who's Your One? Scripture: Romans 9:1-3

9 (A)I am speaking the truth in Christ—I am not lying; my conscience bears me witness in the Holy Spirit— 2 that I have great sorrow and unceasing anguish in my heart. 3 For (B)I could wish that I myself were (C)accursed and cut off from Christ for the sake of my brothers,[a] my kinsmen (D)according to the flesh.

Questions to Consider:

Do I genuinely care about people without Christ? Is my heart broken for lost people? Am I continually burdened for lost people? What would you sacrifice for others to be saved?

Discussion Questions:

How does Paul's deep anguish for his fellow Israelites, expressed in Romans 9:1-3, inform our approach to evangelism today? How can we cultivate a similar burden for those who have yet to encounter the gospel?

Paul expresses a willingness to be "cut off" for the sake of his kinsmen according to the flesh. What is this statement's theological context and impact? How does this sacrificial attitude challenge our understanding of evangelism? How can we emulate Paul's selflessness in our evangelistic efforts?

Reflecting on Paul's intense desire for the salvation of his own people, how are we to understand our relationship with Jews and Judaism? How can we effectively engage God's people in evangelism? What specific strategies or approaches can help bridge cultural barriers and communicate the gospel message effectively?