

“I Would Not Have You Ignorant, Brethren”

Rom. 1:13

Introduction:

- A. What we don't know can hurt us.
 - 1. Israel destroyed for lack of knowledge (Hos. 4:16).
 - 2. Israel remained unsaved because of ignorance (Rom. 10:1-4).
- B. Notice 6 subjects that Paul specifically said he did not want brethren to be ignorant concerning:

Discussion:

- I. The Need to Preach The Gospel (Rom. 1:13-17)**
 - A. Paul felt a strong obligation (Rom. 9:16).
 - B. Paul knew the gospel's power (v. 16; 1 Cor. 1:21)
 - C. Paul urged it preached in season and out (2 Tim. 4:2)
 - D. Should be preached boldly and kindly (cf. Eph. 6:19, 20; Eph. 4:15)
- II. The Salvation of Israel (Rom. 11:25-27).**
 - A. Does not say all Israel will be saved unconditionally (“So” = after this manner)
 - B. How saved? — if continue not in unbelief (v. 23).
- III. The Danger of Apostasy (1 Cor. 10:1-13).**
 - A. In attitude and practice (2 Tim. 4:3,4).
 - B. Exhort daily to avoid (Heb. 3:12, 13).
- IV. Spiritual Gifts (1 Cor. 12:1).**
 - A. Enumeration (Ch. 12)
 - B. Duration (Ch. 13).
 - C. Regulation (Ch. 14).
- V. The Hardships of Christianity (2 Cor. 1:8-11).**
 - A. They are many (2 Cor. 11:23-28).
 - B. Paul attitude under hardship (2 Cor. 12:10; 4:17).
- VI. The Hope of Christianity (1 Thess. 4:13-18).**
 - A. Blessed are they that die in the Lord (Rev. 14:13).
 - B. General resurrection and Judgment (John 5:28)

Conclusion:

- A. Let us study to avoid ignorance.
- B. Let us apply what we know to our lives.