

## MORE THAN ZEAL

- The Jews in Romans 10 were zealous for God, but they did not know Him.
  - Knew the Old Testament stories Romans 2.17-20
  - Did not know about "God's righteousness" 10.3
    - Knew God was/is righteous Deuteronomy 32.4
    - Did not know about Christ Romans 10.4 (cf. 1.16)
    - Did not submit to the Gospel 1.16; 10.3-4
  - Knowing Jesus involves more than zeal/excitement!

## MORE THAN BELIEF

- The demons the New Testament describes believed in Jesus!
  - They knew about Jesus' earthly life Mark 1.24
  - They knew where Jesus was from 1.24
  - They knew Jesus' nature James 2.19
  - They trembled because of their knowledge 2.19
- But more than belief is necessary James 2.20

## MORE THAN BAPTISM

- Paul reminded the Christians in Rome that their baptism was a monumental transformation.
  - In their baptism they died to sin Romans 6.2-3
  - Their baptism was into Christ 6.3
  - Their new life began after baptism 6.4
  - Their baptism resulted in freedom from sin 6.7

• Their new lives were to be a testament to their experience in baptism - Romans 6.11-13

"And may be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own derived from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ, the righteousness which comes from God on the basis of faith, that I may know Him and the power of His resurrection and the fellowship of His sufferings, being conformed to His death"

(Philippians 3:9-10)