



# PAUL'S ZEAL


A burning passion  
for God's glory and  
His people.




I persecuted the church  
beyond measure and tried  
to destroy it."



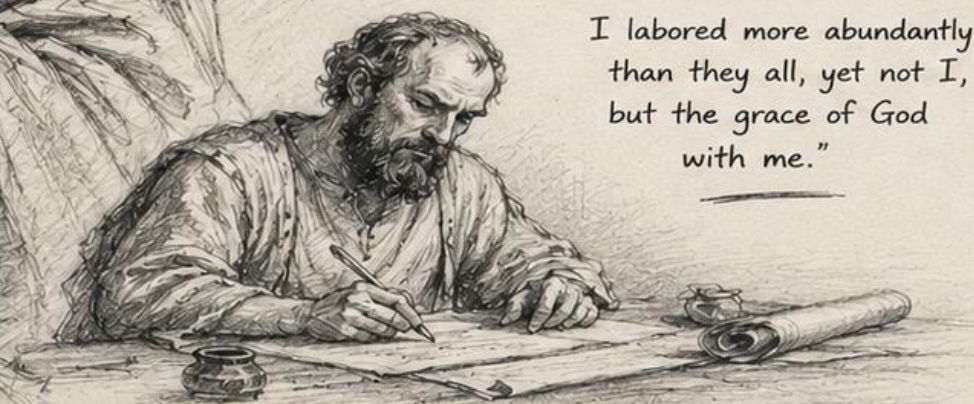
I was zealous for God,  
but not according to  
knowledge.




After encountering Christ,  
Paul's zeal was transformed—  
now devoted to the gospel  
and the glory of God.



Zealous for the Law  
and my traditions."



I labored more abundantly  
than they all, yet not I,  
but the grace of God  
with me."



His zeal  
never  
faded.

**Romans 12:11 Do not be slothful in zeal, but fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.**

**Use our talents and gifts**

**Don't get lazy.**

**Titus 2:14 – “Who gave himself for us to redeem us from all lawlessness and to purify for himself a people for his own possession, zealous for good works”**

**Christ's zeal for us**

**We in turn, zealous for good works**

**Galatians 4:18 NKJV — But it is good to be zealous in a good thing always, and not only when I am present with you.**

**Zeal with knowledge**

**Consistent, persistent**

**Philippians 1:7 ESV — It is right for me to feel this way about you all, because I hold you in my heart, for you are all partakers with me of grace, both in my imprisonment and in the defense and confirmation of the gospel.**

**Acts 28:16-17 ESV — And when we came into Rome, Paul was allowed to stay by himself, with the soldier who guarded him. After three days he called together the local leaders of the Jews, and when they had gathered, he said to them, “Brothers, though I had done nothing against our people or the customs of our fathers, yet I was delivered as a prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans.**

**2 Corinthians 4:8-9 ESV — We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed;**

**2 Corinthians 11:22-28 ESV — ...with far greater labors, far more imprisonments, with countless beatings, and often near death. Five times I received at the hands of the Jews the forty lashes less one. Three times I was beaten with rods. Once I was stoned. Three times I was shipwrecked; a night and a day I was adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers, danger from my own people, danger from Gentiles, danger in the city, danger in the wilderness, danger at sea, danger from false brothers; in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. And, apart from other things, there is the daily pressure on me of my anxiety for all the churches.**

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# PAUL'S FIRST MISSIONARY JOURNEY

Acts 13-14

- Outward Journey
- Return Journey
- Key City



After being sent out by the church in Antioch, Paul and Barnabas traveled to Cyprus and then throughout the region of Galatia, preaching the gospel in synagogues and turning many to Christ.

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**Proclaim the message in the synagogues of the Jews.**

**Acts 13:8-11a ESV —But Saul, who was also called Paul, filled with the Holy Spirit, looked intently at him and said, “You son of the devil, you enemy of all righteousness, full of all deceit and villainy, will you not stop making crooked the straight paths of the Lord? And now, behold, the hand of the Lord is upon you, and you will be blind and unable to see the sun for a time.”**

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**13 Now Paul and his companions set sail from Paphos and came to Perga in Pamphylia. And John left them and returned to Jerusalem,**

<b>Acts 12:12</b>	<b>Mark's mother Mary hosts believers</b>
<b>Acts 12:25</b>	<b>Barnabas and Saul take Mark</b>
<b>Acts 13:5</b>	<b>Mark assists on first missionary journey</b>
<b>Acts 13:13</b>	<b>Mark leaves and returns to Jerusalem</b>
<b>Acts 15:36-40</b>	<b>Dispute between Paul and Barnabas over Mark</b>
<b>Colossians 4:10</b>	<b>Mark is with Paul in prison</b>
<b>Philemon 24</b>	<b>Mark called a fellow laborer</b>
<b>2 Timothy 4:11</b>	<b>Paul says Mark is profitable for ministry</b>
<b>1 Peter 5:13</b>	<b>Peter calls Mark "my son"</b>