

It's Necessary, Use Words

Romans 10:14–21

- The GOSPEL must be PREACHED (vv 14–15)

- FAITH is the only PROPER response to the CALL of the Gospel (vv 16–17)

- We cannot PLEAD IGNORANCE (vv 18–21)



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FURTHER UP, FURTHER IN

1. Do you have any stories about a time that you were ashamed to share something that you loved with your friends or family? Why were you ashamed?
2. Are you able to recite our memory verse (Romans 1:16-17)? What do you think it means to be unashamed of the Gospel? What does that look like practically? 1 Peter 2:9, Matthew 28:18-20, Mark 16:15
3. Read Romans 10:13-15. Has your understanding of the importance of preaching the Gospel changed after going through this passage? What stops you from sharing the Gospel more frequently in your daily life? In what ways do you see the message of the Gospel compromised? Who in your life comes to mind when you think about sharing your faith?
4. Are faith and obedience related? If so, in what ways? Is coming to Christ in faith an act of obedience? Romans 1:5, Romans 10:3 & 21, John 6:28-29, Acts 6:7, 2 Thessalonians 1:6-7, Hebrews 11:8
5. Discuss Romans 10:17. Are there other ways to generate faith outside of hearing of the Gospel? What is the Word of Christ? Compare with Romans 10:8-9. Does this affect how you view the power of the Gospel? Romans 1:16
6. Are the two hypothetical objections that Paul poses in Romans 10:18-19 valid critiques of his argument? Are there others? If so, why? If not, why not? How does Paul apply the Old Testament to the situation at hand? How are the contexts of Psalm 19:4 (quoted in 10:18), Deuteronomy 32:21 (quoted in 10:19), and Isaiah 65:1-2 (quoted in 10:20-21) similar to the situation in Paul's day? How is it different? What about compared to our current time?
7. Is the message of the Gospel relevant once you have been saved? If no, why not? If yes, how can we respond to the message of the Gospel in faith regularly in our daily lives? In what ways are you resistant to the Gospel message?

MEMORY VERSES: ROMANS 1:16-17

¹⁶ For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. ¹⁷ For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, "The righteous shall live by faith."

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