

CALVARY BIBLE CHURCH

“Studies in the Book of Romans - 14

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Text: Rom. 10:1-21

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GOD STILL LOVES THE JEWS!

INTRODUCTION Now that Paul has seriously charged Israel with “kicking aside” their Messiah and his offer of salvation, he goes on to show that the Jew is without excuse, but not without God’s ever present mercy. Although inherent in salvation is the doctrine of election, it never comes without human responsibility. Although these principles apply to all the lost both Jew and Gentile, Paul is mainly talking to Israel in this chapter. As such we can see and understand...

I. The Reason for Israel’s Rejection – (10:1-13)

- A) The Problem - “*The Jew rejects God’s plan to save them*”
- B) The Plan - “*God grants salvation to all who call upon Christ*”

II. The Remedy for Israel’s Rejection – (10:14-17)

- A) Hearing the Word – “*The lost need to hear God’s Word*”
- B) Believing the Word – “*The lost are responsible to believe*”

III. The Result of Israel’s Rejection – (10:18-21)

- A) Israel’s Blindness – “*Results in God turning to the Gentiles*”
- B) Gentiles Believe – “*God is not a respecter of people*”

CONCLUSION: Throughout this chapter Paul’s main concern is to show that Israel’s unbelief resulted in God having a different program for the salvation of the Gentiles. This program was created before the world began, but only implemented upon the nation of Israel’s national rejection. Today God is still saving Jews and Gentiles, but not into the nation of Israel, rather the Church. Although the nation of Israel is set aside, individual Jews and Gentiles can be saved if the “call” upon the name of Christ, confessing their sins and accepting His salvation offer and the gift of His righteousness. In the next chapters, we’ll discover that as a nation, God is going to revive a future generation of Israel as a nation, and grant them eyes of faith to believe and be saved. Until then the Church must reach individual Jews and Gentiles, for all are without excuse to be saved from their sins.

TEXT FOR MESSAGE

The New International Version

Romans 10:1-21

"Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. 2 For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. 3 Since they did not know the righteousness that comes from God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. 4 Christ is the end of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes. 5 Moses describes in this way the righteousness that is by the law: "The man who does these things will live by them." 6 But the righteousness that is by faith says: "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' " (that is, to bring Christ down) 7 "or 'Who will descend into the deep?' " (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). 8 But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the word of faith we are proclaiming: 9 That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. 10 For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved. 11 As the Scripture says, "Anyone who trusts in him will never be put to shame." 12 For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile-- the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, 13 for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

14 How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? 15 And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!" 16 But not all the Israelites accepted the good news. For Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed our message?" 17 Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word of Christ.

18 But I ask: Did they not hear? Of course they did: "Their voice has gone out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world." 19 Again I ask: Did Israel not understand? First, Moses says, "I will make you envious by those who are not a nation; I will make you angry by a nation that has no understanding." 20 And Isaiah boldly says, "I was found by those who did not seek me; I revealed myself to those who did not ask for me." 21 But concerning Israel he says, "All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and obstinate people.""