

# Romans

## HEARING THE GOSPEL

## PART 1

*Faith by hearing*

**READ ROMANS 10:14-17**

### INTRODUCTION

*The section of Scripture is an extremely deep section. There are topics like free will and salvation, the Gospel and Israel. It is a rich text that can be studied for a long time and not be fully understood. Then, in chapter 10, we see Paul look at Israel and their reaction to the Gospel of Christ. Through these verses, many churches have sent out missionaries and made it a priority to spread the Gospel. There is no shortage of encouragement that we can take from these verses and how we are to interact with our faith.*

*There are some practical qualities to these verses that encourage us to be seeking the Lord in multiple ways. We see a necessity to believe in Christ but that belief comes through hearing about Him and that hearing happens through someone preaching about Christ and those preachers must be sent. This is so important when we discuss the Gospel of Christ because it is important for us to know what the Gospel is. If we do not know what the Gospel is, we must learn it and interact with it. We must turn to the Lord and follow Him in order to experience the fullness of the love and grace of God.*

*We send people out to preach the Gospel. The world will not hear about Jesus unless we go and teach them. Training for this comes through Sunday services and small groups. It comes through fellowship with Jesus in His Word, by worshipping Him and through praying and communing with Him regularly. The reason why these things are important is that, we are to take the Gospel but, we must learn the Gospel first. `How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the Gospel of peace.` These are the words that spur us on to reach others for Jesus.*

## THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO LUKE

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### *DISCUSSION QUESTIONS*

1. Who are the people Paul is specifically talking to in Romans? Is that important to understand? Why or why not?
2. What qualifies a person to be a missionary? Does location matter in missions work? Why or why not?
3. What are the steps to belief according to verses 14 through 15? Can you see those steps in your own walk with God? Share some of your story involving these steps.
4. Can you explain the Gospel? What is the Gospel? Share it with each other.
5. Are missionaries important? Why or why not? Should we be more or less focused on missionary work?

### *WRAP UP*

It has been said that if we do not know what the Gospel is, if we cannot give it to a person at any given time, then how can we be sure that we are saved? It is a good point because we often will say that we believe the Gospel and yet, we don't know what the Gospel is. This is something that should be remedied in our lives very quickly. We need to remind ourselves of the Gospel daily. Quote it to yourself. Tell it to your dog. Know the Gospel inside and out so that you can be prepared to give it at the drop of a hat in any circumstance.