

Romans 10:1-17

¹ Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved.

^{2a} For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God,

^{2b} but their zeal is not based on knowledge.

^{3a} Since they did not know the righteousness that comes from God

^{3b} and sought to establish their own,

^{3c} 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.

^{5a} Moses describes in this way the righteousness that is by the law:

^{5b} "The man who does these things will live by them."

^{6a} But the righteousness that is by faith says:

^{6b} "Do not say in your heart,

^{6c} "Who will ascend into heaven?"

^{6d} (that is, to bring Christ down)

^{7a} "or 'Who will descend into the deep?'"

^{7b} (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).

^{8a} But what does it say?

^{8b} "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,"

^{8c} that is, the word of faith we are proclaiming:

^{9a} That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord,"

^{9b} and believe in your heart

^{9c} that God raised him from the dead,

^{9d} you will be saved.

^{10a} For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified,

^{10b} and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.

^{11a} As the Scripture says,

^{11b} "Anyone who trusts in him will never be put to shame."

^{12a} For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—

^{12b} the same Lord is Lord of all

^{12c} and richly blesses all who call on him,

¹³ for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

^{14a} How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in?

^{14b} And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard?

^{14c} And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?

^{15a} And how can they preach unless they are sent?

^{15b} As it is written,

^{15c} "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

^{16a} But not all the Israelites accepted the good news.

^{16b} For Isaiah says,

^{16c} "Lord, who has believed our message?"

^{17a} Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message,

^{17b} and the message is heard through the word of Christ.

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