ROMANS CHAPTER 10

- vs. 1-10 Contrast between the righteousness of doing and that of believing.
- vs. 1 Brethren a distinct group of people who have believed in the Lord Jesus Christ and therefore belong to God.

<u>Them</u> – Jews Rom. 9:30-31 Paul's declaration, God's declaration. They are not saved.

Paul's heart's desire is that they might be.

Paul's prayer is that they might be.

As a nation, they are not saved.

Rom.11:12, 15, 25-29 clearly lays out the fact that they will be at a yet future date.

At the time of Paul's writing and into our day, only a remnant have had their eyes opened. Rom. 11:1-2,5.

Two things can be said of their situation up to the present. Rom. 11:7-8; 2 Cor. 3:14-16 and Rom. 10:21.

- ❖ That which Israel is seeking for, it has not obtained. Rom 9:31
- * Their minds are hardened; a veil lies over their heart.
- vs. 2 They Jews (Muslims, Hindus, along with any who exercise great faith in the wrong object):
 - ❖ have a zeal for God (zeal does not save. Jesus Christ saves) Acts 21:20-22 It is often difficult to control that zeal.
 - ❖ Their zeal is not in accordance with knowledge. Gal 4:8-10
- vs. 3 Not knowing about God's righteousness They knew God was just, but were ignorant of the fact that He was also "the justifier of the ungodly". Rom. 3:26, 4:5

 and at the same time, seeking to establish their own righteousness, (religion) which always stops the person from subjecting themselves to the way God makes a person righteous.

The LAW was designed to produce self-despair, not self-Righteousness! Man is so blind, he doesn't recognize his own state.

- vs. 4 <u>For the law for righteousness</u> ends when a person believes in Jesus Christ.
 - 1. He bore for Israel the curse of the law. Gal. 3:10-14. Breaking God's law does not call for future good conduct on the part of the law breaker. It calls for their death. Rom 6:23
 - 2. Having met the requirements of the Law, Christ died to the law thereby being set free from the Law. Rom. 6:6-10; 7:1-4, 6, 8.
 - 3. God makes no use of the Law in accomplishing His work. Rom. 6:14 with Gal. 5:4; Heb. 7:18-19; Eph. 2:14-16; Col. 2:13-14.

NOTE: If these Scriptures do not teach that the Law ended in Christ, words have no meaning!

- 4. The Law is no more a rule of life than it is a means of righteousness. Walking in the Spirit has taken the place of walking by ordinances. Gal. 5:16-18, 23, 25.
- 5. Gal. 3:21
- vs. 5 Moses, the one who delivered the Law said the man who chooses to live before God on the basis of the Law (self-righteousness) will be judged on that basis which he has chosen (and he will come up wanting).
- vs. 6-7 <u>But</u>, in contrast, the righteousness which comes as a result of faith, does not look elsewhere for God's righteousness.

 Deut. 30:12-13
- vs. 8 Rather, it finds deliverance being brought to us by God. Deut. 30:14
- vs. 9-10 This is how it works complete deliverance you shall be saved (delivered) by doing two things:
 - 1. Believe in your heart which will result in your being declared righteous;
 - 2. Confess Jesus as Lord with your mouth, resulting in practical sanctification. 1 Pet. 3:13-17, esp. vs. 15

vs. 11 For sums up what has been said:

Whoever – applies to every one;

Believes in Him

- 1. for eternal life
- 2. for deliverance from present sin.

Will not be disappointed - God knows how to both rescue the godly and keep the unrighteous under punishment. 2 Pet. 2:4-9

- vs. 12 Stresses the universality of the application. Acts 10:34-36
- vs. 13 For He will do for

Whoever – for anybody

Will call upon Him – Jesus is the one who will do it.

<u>Will be saved</u> – Jesus offers a be-delivered, not deliver yourself salvation. Remember Rom. 9:30 thru 10:4.

- vs. 14-15 The method used by God to make it possible for all to "be saved", to "call"; to realize the promise of verse 13.
 - 1. The message is <u>Glad Tidings of Good Things</u> what a different message than the one delivered on Sinai. 2 Cor 3:4-18; Heb. 12:18-24 Good News!!
 - 2. The World won't be saved if someone is not **sent** to share the good news. John 20:21-22. An example of the Church sending is found in Acts 13:1-4.
 - 3. Those sent must <u>preach</u> The Word. 2 Tim. 4:17-18; 1 Cor. 9:16-17; 2 Cor. 4:5. Woe to us if we don't preach the gospel.
 - 4. People must <u>hear</u> Many don't want to hear it and remain lost woe to them if they won't hear.
 - 5. If they hear, they will **believe** Rom.10:17
 - **6.** If they believe, they will **call**
 - 7. If they call, He will **save** them.
- vs. 16 Israel did not hear would not hear as Isaiah cried out. Matt. 13:11-17

vs. 17 So faith comes from hearing God's Word. John 5:25 "the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God, and they that hear shall live". 2Cor. 5:14-21

It is not enough that Christ died for the sins of the World. It requires ambassadors sharing the "word of reconciliation" and those who are being preached to, to hear the message (good news) and believe it.
vs. 18 God was faithful to send the prophets to proclaim.
vs. 19 Israel would not hear (and to this end they were appointed 1 Pet 2:6-8).
vs. 20 Their rejection has meant our fulfillment. Rom. 9:30-32

Their experience should be a lesson for us. Rom. 11:19-23

vs. 21