



Week's Aim: *The Gospel's Power to Free the Found:* **The Righteousness that comes from God**

Topic for Day 1: Overview - Romans 9:30-10:21

1. After reading the passage, what do you think is Paul's primary concern?
2. What is the proclamation Paul makes in these verses?
3. What proof does he give that the Israelites have heard the good news?

Application 1: What will you apply to your life this week from the sermon?

Topic for Day 2: Paul says Israel didn't attain the righteousness that comes from God. - 9:30-33

1. What did the Gentiles do to receive righteousness?
2. Paul says the Israelites were zealous for God, so what caused them to not receive righteousness?
3. Who is the "stumbling stone?" Why do you think He was given this title?
4. Can you share an instance where Christ was a stumbling stone for someone? Explain.

Application 2: How might you help someone today who has stumbled, or is stumbling?

Topic for Day 3: Even though Israel was zealous for God, Paul identifies the flaws in their zeal. - 10:1-8

1. The Israelites were "*zealous for God,*" but they had a problem, what was it?
2. Paul says the Israelites "*lacked knowledge.*" What knowledge was he talking about? Explain.
3. What is the difference between "*righteousness by the law*" verses "*righteousness by faith*"?
4. What is the good news in 10:8? How are these words an encouragement to you?

Application 3: List the steps you will take today to share *"the word (that) is in your mouth and in your heart"*?

Topic for Day 4: Paul explains how one is moved to receive righteousness from God. - 10:9-15

1. Using verse 9, explain the significance of each phrase:

"Jesus is Lord" –

"believe in your heart" –

"God raised Him from the dead" -

2. We have seen the word *"heart"* used often in this study of Romans. Describe the aspects of the word *"heart"* in each reference: Matthew 6:21, 12:34; Romans 1:21-32; and Galatians 4:6.

3. Identify the necessary steps for someone to realize their need to be saved.

4. List the verses that confirm Paul's statements that there is no difference between Jews and Gentiles.

Application 4: If someone asks you today, "what must I do to be saved?" What is a single verse you could recite to them from verses 9-15? What must you do to be prepared to do that today?

Topic for Day 5: Paul explains that all Israel didn't accept the righteousness offered by God. - 10:16-21

1. Where does Paul say faith comes from? Give verse. What does this tell you about the importance of studying the Bible?

2. The Israelites didn't believe the gospel message. Identify their excuses in the following references: John 6:41, 60; 7:25-27; 8:52; 10:24. You may find other verses using your concordance or other reference.

3. Who do you think verses 19-20 are talking about? What insights does this give you about God?

4. From verses 19-21, who do these verses say is accountable for disbelief?

Application 5: In verse 21 God says, *"All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and obstinate people."* How might you show your gratitude today for God holding out His hands to you?