Beautiful FEET? ~ Romans 10:14-21

→ Scripture Reading Rom. 10:13-17

INTRODUCTION

^{10:1} Dear brothers and sisters, the longing of my heart and my prayer to God is for the people of Israel to be SAVED. (NLT)

BELIEVE the Good News ~ Romans 10:14-15

¹⁴ How, then, can they CALL on the one they have not <u>believed</u> in? And how can they BELIEVE in the one of whom they have not <u>heard</u>? And how can they HEAR without someone <u>preaching</u> to them? ¹⁵ And how can they PREACH unless they are <u>sent</u>? As it is written, How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news.

In Order to...

- CALL on the Name of the Lord they have to BELIEVE
- BELIEVE they have to HEAR the gospel
- > HEAR the gospel someone has to PREACH
- PREACH or Communicate someone has to be SENT

IMPLICATIONS

→It is impossible to CALL on the Name of the LORD without FAITH

¹⁴ How, then, can they CALL on the one they have NOT <u>BELIEVED</u> in?

→It is Impossible to SHARE the Gospel without words

¹⁴ ...And how can they BELIEVE in the one of whom they have not <u>HEARD</u>?

→We are Called to Share the GOOD NEWS

Mark 16:15 (NLT) And then he told them, GO into ALL the world and preach the Good News to everyone.

Faith Comes from HEARING the WORD of God ~ Romans 10:16-21

^{10:13} ...Everyone who CALLS on the name of the Lord WILL be saved.

^{10:13} For Everyone who CALLS on the NAME of the LORD will be SAVED. (NLT)

^{10:12} 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.

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."

IF the Gentiles, who are not even a single nation, who have no spiritual background and training, and who neither seek after nor ask for God, can understand God's good news, THEN surely the people of Israel can understand too. HNT

²¹ But concerning Israel HE says, "All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and obstinate people.

IMPLICATIONS

→ The Absolute IMPORTANCE of God's WORD

¹⁷ So FAITH comes from hearing, and hearing through the WORD of Christ. (ESV)

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→ God is SOVEREIGN and the people of ISRAEL are Responsible

²¹ ...All day long I have spread out My hands to a <u>disobedient</u> and <u>defiant</u> people. (HCS)

John 6:44 (NIV) No one can come to Me unless the Father who sent Me DRAWS him...

¹³ For EVERYONE who CALLS on the Name of the Lord WILL be saved. (HCS)

John 3:16 (HCS) For God loved the world in this way: He gave His One and Only Son, so that EVERYONE who believes in Him will NOT perish but have eternal life.

Two Truths

- > God is **Sovereign** He chooses
- ➤ Israel is **Responsible** to choose

TAKE AWAY ??

John 7:37-38 (NIV) On the last and greatest day of the Feast, Jesus stood and said in a loud voice, IF ANYONE is thirsty, let him come to ME and drink. ³⁸ Whoever believes in ME, as the Scripture has said, streams of living water will flow from within him.

Jeremiah 2:13 (NIV) My people have committed two sins: They have forsaken ME, the spring of LIVING water, and have dug their own cisterns, broken cisterns that cannot hold water.

Revelation 22:17 (NLT) The Spirit and the bride say, Come. Let anyone who hears this say, Come. Let anyone who is thirsty come. Let anyone who desires drink freely from the WATER of LIFE.