

**Romans Chapter 10**  
**God's Sovereign Choice – Rejection of Israel (9:30 – 10:21)**  
**Emphasis on Man's Responsibility**

**A. The failure of Israel to attain R+ (9:30-33)**

1. Gentiles were not seeking R+ **found it by Faith** (30)
2. Israel vainly pursued R+ by the works of the law and **stumbled** over the STONE (31-32)
3. The **“Whosoever”** are the persons who believe in Christ – Jews & Gentiles (33)

**B. The Refusal by Israel to accept God's R+ (10:1-11)**

1. The cause for Israel's rejection (10:1-4)
  - a. Paul's desire for Israel's salvation (1)
  - b. Israel's mistake: ZEAL, but not based on **KNOWLEDGE of TRUTH** (2-3)
    - (1) They seek their OWN R+; they did not understand God's R+ (3a, Is 64:6)
    - (2) They did not submit to God's R+ (3b, Gen. 15:6; Ps.32:1-2)
    - (3) God's R+ is CHRIST
    - (4) The **“END” (purpose - fulfillment)** of the law points us to Christ (Gal 3:24)
2. The nature of R+ by FAITH (10:5-11)
  - a. Comparison of **two methods** for R+ (5-8)
    - (1). R+ through **keeping the law** (5). The law must be kept **perfectly**. Lev.18:5; James 2:10. This is man's way of obtaining R+.
    - (2). R+ through FAITH (6-8)
      - (i) No need to climb into heaven (6; Deut. 30:12-14)
      - (ii) No need to descend into the depths (7) (Gnostics)
      - (iii) It is right in front of you, by faith (8)
  - b. **Realization** of R+ through FAITH 10:9-10
    - (1) By **confessing Jesus** is the Lord from heaven (9a)
    - (2) By believing that **God raised HIM from the dead** (9b)

- (3) By **believing with the heart & confessing with the mouth** (10; Mat 10:23-33)
- c. Scriptural **assurance** of R+ by FAITH (11)

### C. The Neglect by Israel of the Universal Gospel - For ALL (10:12-21)

1. The fact of a UNIVERSAL GOSPEL (10:12-13)
  - a. God makes **no distinction** between men (12a; neither Jew nor Gentile)
  - b. God is rich – in mercy – **to ALL** (12b)
  - c. All men (**Whosoever**) are saved by the same Gospel (13)
2. The **Missions Mandate** (10:14-15)
  - a. The world cannot call, believe, or hear **without a preacher** (14; Is 52:7)
  - b. The preacher cannot preach **unless he is sent** (15)
3. The reaction of Israel to this UNIVERSAL GOSPEL (10:16-21)
  - a. **Disregarded** (10:16-17)
    - (1) Some Jews did not believe (16)
    - (2) “Believing the report” is the method of salvation for all (17)
  - c. **Rejected** (10:18-21)
    - (1) Not because they did not hear (18; Ps. 19:4)
    - (2) Not because they did not know (19-20; Deut. 32:21; Is. 65:1)
    - (3) Because they were disobedient and obstinate - unbelieving (21; Ro. 9:33; Is. 65:2)

**Conclusion:** We must send Preachers / Missionaries / Go ourselves and preach the Gospel to the lost! 2Co 5:11 Knowing therefore the terror of the Lord, we persuade men; 1Co 9:16 For though I preach the gospel, I have nothing to glory of: for necessity is laid upon me; yea, woe is unto me, if I preach not the gospel!

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