

Paul's Letter to the

Romans



The Response

- IF...

- Confess: *homologeo*: 'same word'

- Believe in the heart: center of being, will

- Aorist tenses... point in time

- Profess, mouth, Jesus as Lord

- Believe, God raised Him from the dead

The key focus

- *kardia* – place of will, passions
 - We ‘believe’, think to be true, commit to, put confidence and entrust to = righteousness
 - Abraham, ch 4!
- *stoma* – gives verbal utterance
 - Mt 12:34 15:18; Lk 6:45
- Righteousness + salvation – certain! Vs. 11

Whoever will call

- Jew and Gentile have same path (12)
 - Both are sinners!
 - Jesus is LORD of both
 - Abounding in riches – call
- Call for our: helper, witness, judge, appeal
- Uses the Name... specific
- But that raises a question...

How shall 'they' call

- Who are the "they"??
- Focus is still the Jewish nation
 - They had rejected Jesus and Paul
 - Sent, preach, hear, believe, call...
 - Universal salvation call
 - Preaching is key to people hearing...

How are your feet?

- Beautiful feet?

- People walked everywhere!!!

- Isaiah 52:6-10 - to those in captivity

- Our faith started as a voice, not a book!

- Foolishness of preaching: 1 Cor 1:18-25

- Mt 9:38 - Lord of the harvest!!!

Jewish rejection (nation)

- They did not heed!
 - Isaiah quoted again (52:7)
- Faith linked to word (*rhema*) = voice
- Did they hear? (Jews)
 - If they had not, God would be to blame
 - Same as 9:19...

Witness to the Jews

- Remember the 7 advantages? (9:4,5)
- 16-21 is statement of Jewish focus
- Had the Jews 'heard'? 1st excuse
 - Psalms 19:4 - David
- 'surely they have never heard...' 2nd excuse
 - Paul's whole problem was that they had!
 - Deut 32:21 - Song of Moses...