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Sunday School Lesson
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Lesson—Salvation for All Who Believe Text: Romans 10:5-17

I. Aim for Change/Learning Objectives

By the end of this lesson, we will...

1. *EXPLAIN* Paul's confidence in the salvation offered in Christ,
2. *FEEL* justified through our faith in Christ, and
3. *EMBRACE* with joy the possibility for all.

Key Verse— "*For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved*"
(*Romans 10:13, KJV*).

II. People Places and Times

Word of Faith. The apostle's letter reaffirms the basic doctrine of salvation by faith—not works—available to Jews and Gentiles alike. He also affirms that preaching as a form of word-of-mouth promotion continues to be a primary way to spread the Gospel and to build a foundation of faith necessary to desire and receive salvation.

Israel in God's Plan of Salvation. In Romans, the Apostle Paul addresses Israel's past election, present rejection of the Gospel, and their future salvation. God has turned Israel's transgression into an opportunity to proclaim salvation to all the world. Belief in Jesus Christ by a portion of national Israel will take place in the future. The Scriptures are full of promises of the eventual restoration of Israel to God through their acceptance of the Messiah. (See Isaiah 11:10-16.).

III. Background

In addressing the believers at the church of Rome, Paul confesses his fervent prayer that his Jewish brothers would be saved. He relates that he can "bear record" of their zeal without knowledge, referring to his former anti-Christian activities.

Finally, he makes it clear that the church of Rome should not become over confident in their position in Christ, because God plans to restore a remnant of Israel. Rather, Paul admonishes Gentile believers not to get conceited about their faith in light of Israel's present disobedience.

IV. The Lesson At-A-Glance...

1. *We Cannot be Saved by the Law (Romans 10:5)*
2. *We are Saved Through Jesus Christ, the Only Way (vv. 6-7)*
3. *We Must Become Christians, but How? (vv. 8-13)*
4. *We Must Take the Good News to Others (vv. 14-17)*

In Depth with More Light on the Text

1. We Cannot be Saved by the Law (Romans 10:5) Paul enlightens these Gentile and Jewish believers about the futility of trying to be saved by the Law.

2. We are Saved Through Jesus Christ, the Only Way (vv. 6-7) Jesus is the end of the Law(not abolishment, but fulfillment). With His death, burial, and Resurrection, He fulfilled the purpose and goal of the Law (Matthew 5:17). Unlike Jesus Christ, however, the Law cannot save anyone. Nothing can bridge the gap between a holy God and sinful man. Receiving Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior is the only way.

3. We Must Become Christians, but How? (vv. 8-13) Sin has cut us off from God, but Paul explains how to get back to God and be saved. It is not a complicated process, but based on a simple faith in the finished work of Jesus on the Cross. God said that if we confess with our mouths that Jesus is Lord, and believe in our heart that God, Himself, raised Jesus from the dead; then we are saved (v. 9). This profession can be made by both Jews and Gentiles alike (v. 12) because with God there is no favoritism when it comes to salvation (Romans 2:11).

4. We Must Take the Good News to Others (vv. 14-17) God is calling us to bring the Good News of salvation to others. Through our Christian living, loving, teaching, and preaching; they will know that we follow Christ. As Paul explains the process of calling, believing, hearing, telling, and sending, we understand the large network within the Church that evangelism requires to reach souls for the Gospel.

Liberating Lesson—see Sunday School book for additional comments

Application for Activation— see Sunday School book for additional comments

Food for Thought and Questions for Consideration?

1. *When it comes to salvation, which is more important, “Confessing with your mouth, or believing in your heart?”*
2. *In this lesson, Paul is essentially expressing: Relationship over rules; Love over the Law; and Faith over works, especially when it comes to the doctrine of Soteriology.*
3. *The written word is based purely on what is spoken...to be explained.*

Vocabulary-New Words

- **Righteousness**—dikaiousunh dikaiosune, dik-ah-yos-oo'-nay: from the root ‘dikaiois’ meaning by implication, innocent, holy (absolutely or relatively). to be in a condition acceptable to God.
- **Rhema**—(Gk. rhema, RAY-mah) means that which is or has been uttered by the living voice, the spoken word.
- **Saved**—from the Greek word ‘Sozo (SODE-zo) to save, i.e. deliver or protect (literally or figuratively):--heal, preserve, save (self), do well, be (make) whole. To save from perishing.
- **Salvation** (Gk. soteria, so-tay-REE-ah) means deliverance and preservation. noun; rescue or safety (physically or morally):--deliver, health, salvation, save, saving.

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