

# A Walk Through Romans

God's Present Dealings with Israel –  
(Rom 10)  
Vertical Life Church

# Introduction

- Paul has just recounted God's past dealings with Israel
- Even tho Israel had been entrusted with the Law, the Temple, and been the people of the Messiah
- They were not being saved
- This was foreshadowed numerous times in God's selections according to the promise, not the flesh
- We can't put God in a box; nor define Him with a formula

# Jews Sought Their Own Righteousness rather than God's (1-5)

- Paul again grieves over Israel
- Their zeal for God is not enough (2)
- Good intentions are not enough
- They were relying on their own righteousness (3)
- Knowledge they needed was about what God truly seeks from His people (1 Sam 15:22; Isa 1:11-18; Prov 14:12)
- If we rely on the law (even our own law) we will be judged by it (5)

# The Righteousness of Faith (6-13)

- Paul warns his Roman readers not to make the same mistake – that of thinking we can “help God out” (6-8) (Deu 30:11-16)
- Way of faith expressed concisely and precisely (v9)
- With the heart (not the head) that we believe
- Confess with our mouth Jesus AS LORD
- Truly believing will not disappoint (11)(Isa 28:16)
- Available to Jews & Gentiles alike (12-13)(Joel 2:27-32)

# The Jews Have Heard the Word of Faith (14-21)

- The Jews have heard the word of faith (14-17)
- Believing is prerequisite for calling on the Lord
- Hearing is a prerequisite for believing
- Hearing only comes by the Word
- They cannot hear unless someone tells (Isa 6:8)
- Those that tell are “beautiful” (15)(Isa 52:7-10)
- Most of Israel will not hear (16)(Isa 53:1-7)

# The Jews Aren't Listening (18-21)

- Israel is guilty (18) (John 3:17-21; Psa 19:4)
- So the message goes to the Gentiles (19-20)(Deu 32:21; Isa 65:1)
- But God still yearns over His people (21) (Isa 65:2)