

A marble bust of a man with curly hair and a beard, wearing a draped garment, is mounted on a fluted column. The background is a light blue, marbled texture.

ROMANS

The Gospel According to Paul

Will the Gentiles Provoke the Jews to Faith?

Rom. 10:14-21

Romans 9-11 *Paul's Concern...*

- **Ch. 9: God's Sovereignty**
 - Election, Selection: God is 'at the helm'
- **Ch. 10: Humanity's Responsibility**
 - Israel's disobedience/Gentiles acceptance

Romans 10:14-15

- The Necessity of Evangelism (Is. 52:7)
 - Isaiah: Freedom from Babylonians!
 - Paul: How much MORE freedom from Unrighteousness through FAITH!
 - *Is God sovereign? YES.
 - *Does He call us to participate? YES.

Romans 10:16-17

- Why is there Jewish Unbelief? (Is. 53:1)
 - Isaiah: Groan of despair/frustration
 - Jesus: John 12:38
 - Paul: Commissioned, sent, preached, heard, believed, confessed/believed

Romans 10:18-19

- Maybe they haven't heard? (Ps. 19:1-4)
 - Rom. 1:20-23 ...yes, they have
 - “All the earth” & “the end of the world”?
 - *’Representative Universalism’
 - Col. 1:5-6, 23

Romans 10:18-19

- Maybe they didn't understand? (Deut. 32:21)
 - Paul/Moses: ...yes, they did
 - The GENTILES didn't understand...!
 - The JEWS understood, but rejected the idea of complete submission to His Authority in ALL things.

Romans 10:19-21

- God's plan: (Deut. 32:35-39)
 - The Jews may envy the Gentiles.
 - *(Rom. 11:11)
 - The Gentiles will reap God's blessings
 - *(Is. 65:1)
 - Matt 8:5-13; 15:21-28; Luke 17:11-19

Romans 10:19-21

- A parting shot....:
 - *Condemnation/warning:
 - Is. 65:2
 - *Hope/Invitation:
 - Is. 65:2, 8-9

How is it with you?

- Do you believe that God can be found by you, and **WANTS** to be known by you? Do you believe He is continually holding his hands out to you ‘all day long’?
- How will you respond to God’s call? What does it look like to be in relationship with Him?