

# Romans 25

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## The Call

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*Romans 10:11-21*

### I. \_\_\_\_\_ THE CALL

*Romans 10:11 For the scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."*

### IT'S OPEN TO \_\_\_\_\_.

*Romans 10:12 For there is no distinction between the Jew and the Greek, for the same Lord is Lord of all, who richly blesses ALL who call on him.*

*Colossians 3:11 a renewal in which there is no distinction between Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave and freeman, but Christ is all, and in all.*

*Tony Evans*

*"Stop saying that God is colorblind. God is Not Colorblind.*

*Revelation 7:9 After these things I looked, and behold, a great multitude which no one could count, from every nation and all tribes and peoples and tongues, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, and palm branches were in their hands;*

*Look. Every nation and every tribe. He sees it.*

*God is not colorblind but he's also not blinded by color.*

*If you make a distinction based on color then you are racist. If you identify as a white Christian then you have made race the most important distinction.*

*If you identify as a black Christian then you have made race the most important distinction.*

*It is technically incorrect, to call yourself a "black Christian," or a "white Christian," or a "Hispanic Christian."*

*Then you make your color or culture an adjective. It's the job of the adjective to modify the noun. If you put Christianity in the noun position and your color or culture in the adjective position you have to keep shaping the noun so it looks like the adjective that describes it.*

*So if your color stays in the adjectival position you got to keep shaping Christianity to look black or to look white or to look red..."*

*Your identity is not in your race your background or your pocketbook. Your identity first is in Christ.*

*If we play to a white identity. If we play to a black identity. If we play to a socioeconomic identity then we have placed our identity distinction ahead of the identity of Christ!"*

THE GOSPEL IS OPEN TO ALL. REGARDLESS OF YOUR \_\_\_\_\_ OR REGARDLESS OF YOUR \_\_\_\_\_.

*ROMANS 10:13 for "WHOEVER WILL CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD WILL BE SAVED."*

## II. \_\_\_\_\_ THE CALL

Skip down to verse 16. We'll come back to 14 in a minute.

*Romans 10:16 However, they did not all heed the good news; for Isaiah says, "LORD, WHO HAS BELIEVED OUR REPORT?"*

Sadly the ones that were given the promise failed to recognize and respond to it. They just couldn't give up on their addiction to performance and privilege and admit their need for a savior.

*Romans 10:17 So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.*

ONCE YOU HEAR THE WORD YOU BECOME \_\_\_\_\_ FOR WHAT YOU'VE HEARD.

*Romans 10:18 But I say, surely they have never heard, have they? Indeed they have;*

*"THEIR VOICE HAS GONE OUT INTO ALL THE EARTH,  
AND THEIR WORDS TO THE ENDS OF THE WORLD."*

*Romans 10:19 But I say, surely Israel did not know, did they? First Moses says,*

*"I WILL MAKE YOU JEALOUS BY THAT WHICH IS NOT A NATION,  
BY A NATION WITHOUT UNDERSTANDING WILL I ANGER Romans  
10:20 And Isaiah is very bold and says,*

*"I WAS FOUND BY THOSE WHO DID NOT SEEK ME,  
I BECAME MANIFEST TO THOSE WHO DID NOT ASK FOR ME."*

*Romans 10:21 But as for Israel He says, "ALL THE DAY LONG I HAVE  
STRETCHED OUT MY HANDS TO A DISOBEDIENT AND OBSTINATE  
PEOPLE."*

*IT'S NOT ENOUGH TO \_\_\_\_\_ THE GOSPEL. YOU HAVE TO  
\_\_\_\_\_ THE GOSPEL.*

### **III. BECOME THE \_\_\_\_\_**

NOW LET'S BACK UP AND CATCH THAT MIDDLE SECTION THAT I SKIPPED.

*Romans 10:13 "Whoever will call upon the name of the Lord will be saved."*

He's quoting Joel 2:32

*JOEL 2:32 "And it will come about that whoever calls on the name of the  
LORD*

The Greek word "CALL" is *EPIKALEOW*. The Hebrew from Joel is *QUARA*. It had to do with  
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*I CALL \_\_\_\_\_ Christ FOR my SALVATION and by doing that I CALL  
\_\_\_\_\_ Christ FOR the LOST.*

THE GRACE I \_\_\_\_\_ BECOMES THE GRACE I \_\_\_\_\_.

*Romans 10:14 How then will they call on Him in whom they have not  
believed? How will they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how  
will they hear without a preacher?*

YOU ARE GOD'S CHOSEN INSTRUMENT OF THE GOSPEL.

*Romans 10:15 How will they preach unless they are sent? Just as it is written,  
"HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET OF THOSE WHO BRING GOOD NEWS  
OF GOOD THINGS!"*

IT ALL FALLS APART IF WE QUIT \_\_\_\_\_.

*You cannot heed the call if you don't hear the call. And you can't hear the call if we stop calling.*

THE ONLY \_\_\_\_\_ TO THE GOSPEL IS THE  
\_\_\_\_\_ OF THE GOSPEL.