



Romans 10:8–17 (ESV)

⁸But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart” (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); ⁹because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

¹⁰For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.

¹¹For the Scripture says, “Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame.”

¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him.

¹³For “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.”

¹⁴How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed?

And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard?

And how are they to hear without someone preaching?

¹⁵And how are they to preach unless they are sent?

As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!”

¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?”

¹⁷So faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the word of Christ.

1 Peter 3:15

but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect,

Part 2 - Proclaim Christ!

Understand the Gospel!

1. People are saved by faith!

(10:8-12,17)

1) Remember the **insufficiency of self-salvation!** (and self-righteousness!) (10:2-7)

2) faith expresses itself from heart to mouth!

(inside to outside) (10:8-10)

3) saving faith centers on Christ!

“Jesus is Lord” and “God raised Him from the death” (9)

4) Saving faith has no:

> shame (11a)

> partiality (12a)

> no holding back His riches (12b)

2. People are saved through the Word of Christ proclaimed!

(10:13-17)

> all who call on the name of the Lord will be saved! (13)

1) **Call** upon Christ (14a)

2) **Believe** in Christ (14b)

3) **Hear** the word of Christ (14c)

4) **Sent to proclaim** of the word of Christ (14d-16)

Salvation by faith:

*Faith comes by hearing,
and hearing through the Word of Christ!
(10:17)*

--- “How will they know?” ---

April 19, 2026

SUNDAY after church...

Think through your morning and: 1) List and praise the Lord for specific encouragement you were able to give! 2) List and praise the Lord for specific encouragement you received! 3) List songs or lyrics that touched your heart.

MONDAY

DISCUSSION STARTER: From your notes on the front, what are some of the ways that religion pursues self-salvation? Do you have experience in this?

TUESDAY

DISCUSSION STARTER: From your notes on the front and reading Romans 10:8-12, you see the Bible link our hearts and our mouths. Think about that and write out how and why that is vital to our faith walk with Christ.

WEDNESDAY

DISCUSSION STARTER: From your notes on the front and Romans 10:13-17, write out how **calling** out to Christ comes from **believing** in Him, which comes from **hearing** “the word” about Christ (the gospel), and hearing comes from some **proclaiming** of Christ. Write out why all these steps flow from the “word of Christ”. What happens if we miss clarity and simplicity of the gospel of Christ?

THURSDAY and FRIDAY

DISCUSSION STARTER: From your notes on the front and reading Romans 10:13-17 again. If clarity and simplicity of the “word of Christ” (gospel) is so vital for answering “How Will They Know?” how can you be so sharp and familiar with the gospel, that you are always ready to share? (Pick up a tract in the Commons and read it through three times per night and by Thursday you will be ready!

SATURDAY

Prepare your heart for Sunday’s gathering by being ready to fully engage in the worship.