



The Text of Romans 9:30—10:21

A ³⁰What shall we say then? That Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, have attained to righteousness, even the righteousness of faith; ³¹but Israel, pursuing the law of righteousness, has not attained to the law of righteousness. ³²Why? Because they did not seek it by faith, but as it were, by the works of the law. For they stumbled at that stumbling stone. ³³As it is written: *“Behold, I lay in Zion a stumbling stone and rock of offense, and whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame.”*

B ^{10:1}Brethren, my heart’s desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they may be saved.

A’ ²For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. ³For they being ignorant of God’s righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted to the righteousness of God.

B’ ⁴For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes.

A’ ⁵For Moses writes about the righteousness which is of the law, “The man who does those things shall live by them.” ⁶But the righteousness of faith speaks in this way, *“Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’*” (that is, to bring Christ down from above) ⁷or, *“‘Who will descend into the abyss?’*” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead).

B’ ⁸But what does it say? *“The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart”* (that is, the word of faith which we preach): ⁹that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. ¹¹For the Scripture says, *“Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame.”* ¹²For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. ¹³For *“whoever calls on the name of the LORD shall be saved.”*

A’ ¹⁴How then shall they call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? ¹⁵And how shall they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: *“How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the gospel of peace, who bring glad tidings of good things!”* ¹⁶But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, *“LORD, who has believed our report?”*

B’ ¹⁷So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.

A’ ¹⁸But I say, have they not heard? Yes indeed: *“Their sound has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world.”* ¹⁹But I say, did Israel not know? First Moses says: *“I will provoke you to jealousy by those who are not a nation, I will move you to anger by a foolish nation.”* ²⁰But Isaiah is very bold and says: *“I was found by those who did not seek Me; I was made manifest to those who did not ask for Me.”* ²¹But to Israel he says: *“All day long I have stretched out My hands to a disobedient and contrary people.”*



The Outline of Romans 9:30—10:21

A Rejection of Israel (9:30-33)

The Gentiles find True Righteousness

B Desire and Prayer for Israel to be Saved (10:1)

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B' Salvation to All who Believe in Christ (10:4)

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B' Salvation, Faith, and Believing (10:8-13)

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B' Salvation by Faith by Hearing the Word of God (10:17)

A' Disobedience and Rejection of Israel (10:18-21)

The Gentiles find the True Gospel