How Are They To Hear?

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Romans 10:14 (ESV)

How are they to hear without someone preaching?

After walking through Romans Chapters 1-8, we are fully prepared to access every situation and appropriately share our Christian faith. Therefore, each one of us should have taken these messages seriously. For us the series of messages we started on Sunday January 3 and ending this past Sunday, March 21st are absolutely necessary to live a powerful Christian life. If we haven't taken these messages seriously, we should ask ourselves, "Why?" After Chapter 8, there is a total change in emphasis. However, in Romans 10:14 there is a poignant statement made about our responsibility concerning what we have learned in Chapters 1-8.

Romans 10:14 (ESV)

How 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?

We learned so much; what are we going to do about it?

Romans 10:15 (ESV)

And 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!"

Our responsibility is to share what God has taught us. In an endearing way, God considers the feet of those who go and share the "good news" as beautiful. God knows that faith only comes through hearing the Word of Christ. This is the Word of Christ that Christ has revealed to us.

Romans 10:17 (ESV)

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

Christ can personally reveal HIMSELF, but most likely one of us who have been taught the Word of Christ will share it with those around us. Otherwise, faith in Christ is impossible.

All of Romans Chapters 1-8 are important. We clearly present Salvation in Romans Chapter 3, but also, we clearly present the Holy Spirit with the power in Romans 8:1-16. We present and "live out" Salvation in Christ and also engage the Holy Spirit by faith. We have faith like Abraham:

Hebrews 11:8 (NASB)

By faith Abraham, when called, obeyed!

As in Salvation, we also receive the Holy Spirit by faith!

Galatians 3:2 (ESV)

Let me ask you only this: Did you receive the Spirit by works of the law or by hearing with faith? As in Salvation, we also receive Miracles by the same faith.

Galatians 3:5 (ESV)

Does he who supplies the Spirit to you and works miracles among you do so by works of the law, or by hearing with faith.

We are fully equipped through Romans Chapters 1-8. Specifically understanding Salvation in Chapter 3 and the embracing the Holy Spirit in Chapter 8:1-16, which enables us to stand powerfully, confidently, and unashamed before God in a godless world!

Romans 1:16 (ESV)

For I am not ashamed of the gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes.

Therefore, with confidence, we do not waiver!

Romans 4:20-21 (ESV)

²⁰ No unbelief made us waver concerning the promise of God, but we grew strong in our faith as we gave glory to God, ²¹ fully convinced that God was able to do what HE had promised.

Most of all, we do not waiver on the most important promise!

John 3:16 (ESV)

For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.