Romans Lesson 16

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INTRODUCTION

- I believe in our world today where we have so much religious division, that this is a chapter that is so very appropriate and so very needed in our own time.
- Although it was written really to the Jews of the first century, who had rejected Jesus as the Christ, and yet who were religious, but who were wrong in their religion.

1 Religious but Not Righteous

Romans 10:1–3; Matthew 15:7–9; Proverbs 14:12

- Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for Israel is that they might be saved.
- For they, being ignorant of God's righteousness and going about to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves unto the righteousness of God.
- The point is you can be religious but not righteous. These Jews had a zeal for God, but they were lost.
- You see, traditions of men and voting of men doesn't change what God's word says.

2 Christ Is the End of the Law

Romans 10:4–8; Galatians 3:23–25; Galatians 3:28–29

- He's really saying there that the aim or the purpose of the law pointed to Jesus Christ.
- Wherefore the law was our schoolmaster to bring us unto Christ, that we might be justified by faith.
- The law of Moses demanded perfect obedience. The man which doeth those things shall live by them.
- But in Christ Jesus, we now have grace and truth.

3 The Word of God Can Be Understood

Romans 10:8; 1 Corinthians 2:12; Ephesians 3:3–5

- What he's really saying is here that the word of God can be understood.
- The word is nigh thee, even in thy mouth, in thy heart. That is a word of faith which we preach.
- So man can know the will of God. Even now, we can know the will of God. The Bible can be understood.
- The reason there is so much religious division today is not because the Bible cannot be understood.

4 A Faith That Obeys Is the Faith That Saves

Romans 10:9–12; John 12:42–43; Matthew 7:21–23

- If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.
- Romans chapter 10 and verse 9 doesn't say everything there is about saving faith. It says nothing about repenting.

- It's not faith only, it's a faith that obeys. A faith that obeys is the faith that saves.
- Not everyone that saith unto me, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.

5 Calling on the Name of the Lord

Romans 10:13–17; Acts 2:37–38; Acts 22:16

- For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.
- So then faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.
- Arise and be baptized and wash away thy sins, calling on the name of the Lord.
- Calling really means to invoke Jesus Christ as Lord.

6 A Disobedient and Gainsaying People

Romans 10:18–21; Deuteronomy 32

- But I say, have they not heard? Yes, verily. Their sound went into all the earth.
- All day long I have stretched forth my hands unto a disobedient and gainsaying people.
- But whose fault is it? God's? No. The fault lies with Israel.
- You see, salvation cannot be inherited. God has no grandchildren.

THE CHALLENGE

Have you repented of sins? Confessing your faith that He is the Son of God? Have you been immersed or baptized in the death of Christ? Why not do that?

MY NOTES