



ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Missions Assistance** – (March 9-16) – Southwinds will be hosting a Missions Team from Texas. Anyone interested in providing meals, gardening, construction experience to build garden boxes, painting, food preparation or just serving along-side the Missions Team, please contact Chris Martinez at cmartinez@southwinds.org or (760) 685-5152.
- **Baptism** – The Bible teaches that baptism is an act of obedience after making a commitment to Christ. Baptism allows a believer to declare to the world their heart-felt commitment to Christ. Join us Sunday, March 10th at 3 pm for this month's Baptism. More information is in the App. Please contact Rene Snyder with questions at rsnyder@southwinds.org.
- **Easter Volunteers** – Many people are needed during our Easter Services to help with making everything run smoothly for our visitors. Please sign up on the app or by clicking the QR code on the screen to help with Good Friday service, Easter Sunday or our Egg Hunts.

MY STORY

Share a time when you bought something you really liked and told people about it, did they buy it because you recommended it?

QUICK REVIEW

Looking back at this week's teaching, was there anything that particularly caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

Read Romans 10:13-21

Point #1: The Foundation: WE ALL NEED TO BE SAVED.

"No one is left out. No matter who you are, what you've done, what you've failed to do, you can get in on this. It is not about measuring up. It's interesting that often when people hear that, those stuck in their self-righteousness think, 'Well, or course, God would save me'... and those wallowing in their guilt say, 'God would never save me.' What God wants you to hear is this salvation is for everyone., the self-righteous and the unrighteous. No one is left out. This is not like many think, about measuring up. We don't. It's not about jumping through hoops or checking off boxes or climbing ladders or cleaning yourself up so you're worth enough." – **Michael Nolen**

Who is salvation for?

Point #2: The Method: GOD WORKS THROUGH US TO SAVE HIS PEOPLE.

“Track with Paul’s logic. People can’t call on Jesus without believing. They can’t believe if they’ve never heard of Jesus. They can’t hear without a gospel messenger. And messengers can’t proclaim unless they’re sent. This is God’s plan. Jesus sends messengers who proclaim, so people hear, and hearers believe. Believers call on the name of the Lord and those who call are saved. These are the 5 steps to salvation... sending, preaching, hearing, believing, calling. If messengers aren’t sent in the beginning, people will never call on Jesus in the end. That’s Paul’s logic. And this presses in on us the weighty responsibility that is on a gospel messenger. Do you see? If we don’t go, the rest doesn’t happen.”

– **Michael Nolen**

How does it spark fear to know that we are plan A for spreading God’s gospel and there is no plan B?

One surefire way to cause your faith to shrink and to get choked out is by neglecting God’s word. Faith comes from hearing, and hearing through the Word of Christ. And if we’re not placing ourselves in the stream of God’s Word, it’s no wonder we dry up. It’s not a mystery. Some of us act like faith is something that kind of comes and goes, it’s out of our control, right? Sometimes we have faith. Sometimes we don’t. Now, yes, saving faith is a gift in the sense that God graciously opens our eyes to see. But faith is not only a gift, it is a stewardship.” – **Michael Nolen**

Share your current strategy for staying in God’s Word regularly.

Point #3: The Reality: ANYONE CAN BE SAVED, BUT NOT EVERYONE LISTENS.

“Paul asks 2 questions in 10:18-19 about his people Israel. First, Did Israel hear? ¹⁸But I ask, have they not heard? Indeed, they have, for ‘Their voice has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world.’ Answer: yes, they did. Paul is saying, Their unbelief is not because they didn’t hear about Jesus, or didn’t know the Scriptures, or didn’t know God’s purposes would include the nations. That’s not why. Second question: Did Israel understand? Maybe they heard it all, but they just didn’t get it. But Paul says, ‘No. They knew. They understood, because God revealed this would happen.’ God gave hints of a day that would come, when the nations would flood into God’s kingdom and Israel would become jealous. The inclusion of the nations was not a last-minute switch in God’s plan and he gives some examples here.” – **Michael Nolen**

¹⁹But I ask, did Israel not understand? First Moses says, ‘I will make you jealous of those who are not a nation; with a foolish nation I will make you angry.’ He says Israel should have understood from this prophecy that one day the Gentiles would believe. And in 10:20, where he’s quoting Isaiah 65:1... ²⁰Then Isaiah is so bold as to say, “I have been found by those who did not seek me; I have shown myself to those who did not ask for me.” – **Michael Nolen**

“Hearing the gospel is necessary for salvation, but hearing is not enough. We must respond with personal trust, which the Bible call faith.” – **Michael Nolen**

Why must our personal trust in Jesus, lead to action?

APPLICATION

This week ask God to put people/situations in your path that you can reveal the gospel to, whether they receive it or not.

PRAISES

PRAYER REQUESTS