

Romans 10:14 - 21 Israel's Present State, (cont'd) "Toby Turvy"

Paul reasons backwards from Joel's quote in v. 13... ¹⁴ How then will they call on Him in whom they have not

... "Whoever calls upon..."

believed? How will they believe in Him whom they have not

• to call you must believe

• to believe you must hear

heard? And how will they hear without a preacher? ¹⁵ How

• to hear demands a preacher

• to preach a divine

will they preach unless they are sent? Just as it is written,

message you must be sent..

i.e. "the Gospel"

• .. as Isaiah 52 affirms

"How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news of

Conclusion: God has "sent" a message of good news to "whoever" - all mankind (John 3:16)

good things!" - Such does the Gospel bring

¹⁶ However, they did not all heed the good news; for Isaiah

But Isaiah marveled at the small number of Jews who would believe in message of Messiah

says, "Lord, who has believed our report?" ¹⁷ So faith comes

i.e. "Where are the Jews?"

"AKOE" hearing from "AKOOU" to hear i.e. "believed the message heard"

from hearing, and hearing (by the word of Christ)

Saving faith comes from believing the message of Christ and from Christ

v. 18

meaning "Surely this cannot be true about the Gentile world" "Surely they have not heard the message of Christ"

¹⁸ But I say, surely they have never heard, have they? Indeed they have;

"O Yes they have!!"

"THEIR VOICE HAS GONE OUT INTO ALL THE EARTH,

Matt. 28:19; Acts 1:8

AND THEIR WORDS TO THE ENDS OF THE WORLD."

a quote from Psalm 19 about the General Revelation of God in nature, in the Creation

Paul uses the quote to anticipate the Specific Revelation of the Gospel...

¹⁹ But I say, surely Israel did not know, did they? First Moses

i.e. from the beginning of the nation

"If God has done... so God will do"

"But Israel did not know of this truth!"

"Yes they did"

all the way back to the "first" or "beginnings"

of the nation - The Song of Moses" from Deut. 32

"I WILL MAKE YOU JEALOUS BY THAT WHICH IS NOT A NATION,

BY A NATION WITHOUT UNDERSTANDING WILL I ANGER YOU."

Moses prophesied of the church and its reception of the Gospel message

²⁰ And Isaiah is very bold and says,

v. 20 and 2700 years after Moses in the 8th century B.C. Isaiah prophesied

"I WAS FOUND BY THOSE WHO DID NOT SEEK ME, Gentiles

I BECAME MANIFEST TO THOSE WHO DID NOT ASK FOR ME." Gentiles

God would make Israel jealous
by the church and its
Gentile solution

²¹ But as for Israel He says,

But Isaiah's
prognosis of Israel
was bleak indeed

"ALL THE DAY LONG I HAVE STRETCHED OUT MY HANDS TO A DISOBEDIENT

AND OBSTINATE PEOPLE."

Life Group Application Questions