

January 5, 2025

Good Church: Good God (Romans 10:1-17)

Warmup: Is your attention held more by knowledge or enthusiasm?

READ Romans 1:1-17

- What is the longing of Paul's heart?
 - How do we know this includes everyone, Jews and Gentiles?
- Paul recognizes the enthusiasm of the people of Israel, but what else is paramount to a saving faith?
 - Why isn't enthusiasm sufficient for a vibrant faith?

REFLECT

- Why did Paul work so hard and sacrifice so much to tell people about Christ?
- Identify the specific verses that communicate Christ's saving grace and record them here.
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- Choose *one* of the above verses and contemplate how this verse echoes the beginning of your faith in Jesus Christ as Savior.

RESPOND

- Enthusiasm and knowledge create vibrant faith. However, if people do not hear, they cannot believe. How can you communicate one of the verses above with passion and grace to someone who does not understand Christ's love? Be creative!
- Return to verses 1-4 and read them aloud.
 - Have you clung to "your own way" of being made right with God?
 - Take time to listen to the Holy Spirit – what is God's message to you?
- Allow yourself space to sit and receive God's love who else needs God's love today?

"To transform religious and irreligious people into Fully Devoted Followers of Christ."