

“Saved” (Romans 10)(10.29.23)

Romans 10 Amplified Bible

10 Brothers and sisters, my heart’s desire and my prayer to God for Israel is for their salvation. ² For I testify about them that they have a certain enthusiasm for God, but not in accordance with [correct and vital] knowledge [about Him and His purposes]. ³ For not knowing about God’s righteousness [which is based on faith], and seeking to establish their own [righteousness based on works], they did not submit to God’s righteousness. ⁴ For Christ is the end of the law [it leads to Him and its purpose is fulfilled in Him], for [granting] righteousness to everyone who believes [in Him as Savior].

⁵ For Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on law [with all its intricate demands] shall live by it. ⁶ But the righteousness based on faith [which produces a right relationship with Him] says the following: “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into Heaven?’ that is, to bring Christ down; ⁷ or, ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’ that is, to bring Christ up from the dead [as if we had to be saved by our own efforts, doing the impossible].” ⁸ But what does it say? “The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart”—that is, the word [the message, the basis] of faith which we preach— ⁹ because if you acknowledge *and* confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord [recognizing His power, authority, and majesty as

God], and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For with the heart a person believes [in Christ as Savior] resulting in his justification [that is, being made righteous—being freed of the guilt of sin and made acceptable to God]; and with the mouth he acknowledges *and* confesses [his faith openly], resulting in *and* confirming [his] salvation. ¹¹ For the Scripture says, “Whoever believes in Him [whoever adheres to, trusts in, and relies on Him] will not be disappointed [in his expectations].” ¹² For there is no distinction between Jew and Gentile; for the same *Lord* is Lord over all [of us], and [He is] abounding in riches (blessings) for all who call on Him [in faith and prayer]. ¹³ For “whoever calls on the name of the Lord [in prayer] will be saved.”

¹⁴ But how will people call on Him in whom they have not believed? And how will they believe in Him of whom they have not heard? And how will they hear without a preacher (messenger)? ¹⁵ And how will they preach unless they are commissioned *and* sent [for that purpose]? Just as it is written *and* forever remains written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news of good things!”

¹⁶ But they did not all pay attention to the good news [of salvation]; for Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our report?” ¹⁷ So faith *comes* from hearing [what is told], and what is heard *comes* by the [preaching of the] message concerning Christ.

¹⁸ But I say, did they not hear? Indeed they have;

“Their voice [that of creation bearing God’s message] has gone out to all the earth,
And their words to the [farthest] ends of the world.”

19 But I say, did Israel fail to understand [that the gospel was to go also to the Gentiles]? First Moses says,

“I will make you jealous of those who are not a nation (Gentiles);
With a nation that lacks understanding I will make you angry.”

20 Then Isaiah is very bold and says,

“I have been found by those who did not seek Me;
I have shown Myself to those who did not [consciously] ask for Me.”

21 But of Israel he says, “All day long I have stretched out My hands [in compassion] to a disobedient and obstinate people.”

The word of God for the people of God.



LET US PRAY.

Title: **“Saved”**

INTRODUCTION:

His mercy endureth forever. Can you hear the lament of God in Isaiah? “All day long I have stretched out My hands in compassion to a disobedient and obstinate people.” God chose Israel. He heard their cry in Egypt and sent Moses to free them from Pharaoh. The LORD guided them and provided for

them. He gave them a land. He sent them prophets. They were His Chosen People.

For hundreds of years they were on a merry-go-round of faithfulness and apostasy. They were warned. The LORD called them to repentance. They complied at times and then they rebelled. They were defeated and exiled. They were restored.

The LORD sent the Messiah, the Lord Jesus. Paul tells us in Romans 1:16 (NIV84) I am not ashamed of the gospel, because it is the power of God for the salvation of everyone who believes: **first for the Jew**, then for the Gentile. The Apostle John in John 1:11 (NIV84) He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him.

Last week, in the 9th chapter of Romans, we learned that the Apostle Paul was so brokenhearted over the Jewish nation's response to the Messiah, that he prayed to forgo his own salvation if they would only believe. At the start of this 10th chapter, he continues that theme: Romans 10:1 (NIV84) Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved.



BODY:

Zeal is the most common English translation, but Being zealous isn't enough.

Sincerity must be properly directed.



Attain means to achieve a goal or reach a certain level, while Obtain means to acquire or gain possession of something.

- Attain refers to something that requires effort, while Obtain can refer to something obtained by chance.
- Attain is used more for personal achievements, while Obtain is used more for acquiring physical objects.
- Attaining something requires effort, whereas obtaining something does not always require hard work.
- Both obtain and attain are formal words, with their respective adjectives being obtainable and attainable.

Law of Righteousness	Faith Righteousness
Only for the Jew	For "whosoever"
Based on Works	Comes by Faith Alone
Self-righteousness	God's Righteousness
Cannot Save	Brings Salvation
Obeys the Lord	Call on the Lord
Leads to Pride	Glorifies God

Pastor Adrian Rogers preached on verse 4. *"For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness ..."*. Quit trying to be saved by keeping the Ten Commandments. The law says do this and thou shalt live. The Gospel says

live and then thou shalt do. The law says pay me what you owe me. The Gospel says I fully forgive thee all.

The law says, *"And thou shalt love the LORD thy God with all thine heart, and with all thy soul, and with all thy might"* (Deuteronomy 6:5). The Gospel says, *"Herein is love, not that we loved God, but that he loved us, and sent his Son to be the propitiation for our sins"* (1 John

4:10). The law says, "... *Cursed is every one that continueth not in all things which are written in the book of the law to do them*" (Galatians 3:10). But, the Gospel says, "*Blessed are they whose iniquities are forgiven, and whose sins are covered*" (Romans 4:7).

The law says, The wages of sin is death. But the Gospel says, "... *but the gift of God is eternal life through Jesus Christ our Lord*" (Romans 6:23). The law demands holiness. The Gospel provides holiness. The law says do. The Gospel says done. It is done in full. The law makes blessing the result of obedience. The Gospel makes obedience the result of blessing.

The law places the day of rest on Saturday, at the end of the week. The Gospel places the day of celebration on Sunday, the first day of the week. The law says if. The Gospel says therefore. The law says that salvation is wages. The Gospel says salvation is a gift. The law says run, but it gives us no legs. The Gospel says fly, and it gives us wings of grace.



Pastor, preacher, and teacher, Warren Wiersbe shared this from his friend Dr. E. Meyers Harrison, who was a veteran missionary and professor of missions.

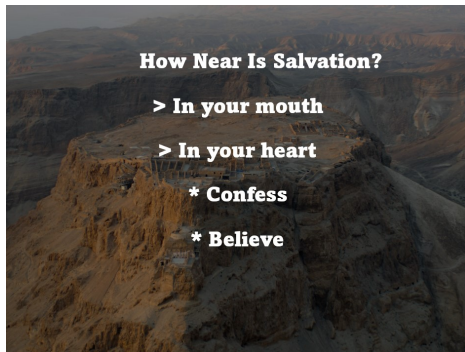
Mark 16:15 (NIV84) He [Jesus] said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the good news to all creation."

Jesus gives the account of the Rich Man and the beggar named Lazarus in Luke 16:19-31 (NIV84) "He [the rich

man] answered, 'Then I beg you, father, send Lazarus to my father's house,"

Acts 16:9 (NIV84) During the night Paul had a vision of a man of Macedonia standing and begging him, "Come over to Macedonia and help us."

2 Corinthians 5:14 (NIV84) For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died.

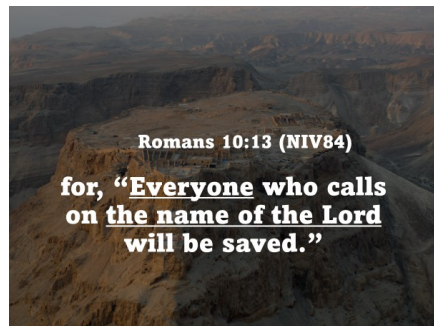


Jesus has already come down from heaven.

Jesus has already conquered death and hell.

It is free, but you must give up your old life.

You have the truth and it will set you free.



Who? (emphasize this)

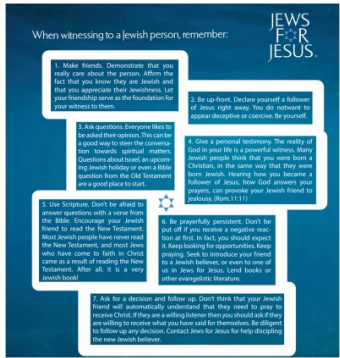
Are they chosen?

When a man asked Charles Spurgeon how he reconciled divine sovereignty and human responsibility, Spurgeon replied: "I

never try to reconcile friends!"

He goes on to answer the question on the way of salvation, "There is nothing [that] puzzles me more, and tries my mind more, than the answer to that simple question—What is faith? What is believing? What is calling upon the name of the Lord? In order to get the

true sense of this, I turned to my concordance, and looked out the passages where the same word is employed; and, so far as I can judge, I may state from the authority of Scripture, that the word "call" signifies worship; so that I might translate it thus—"Whosoever worships God shall be saved."



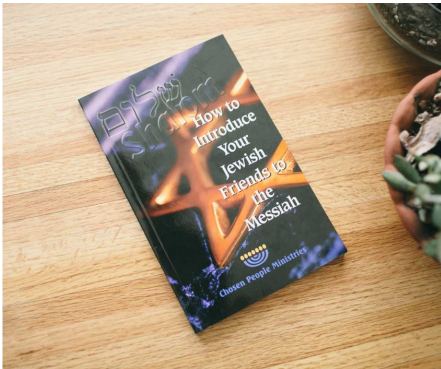
1. Pursue a true relationship.
2. Be upfront about being a follower of Yeshua.
3. Ask questions to demonstrate a sincere interest in Israel and issues related to Jewish faith.

4. Share your personal testimony. You were not born a Christian like they were born a Jew. You communicate with a personal God through prayer. Romans 11:11 (NIV84) Again I ask: Did they stumble so as to fall beyond recovery? Not at all! Rather, because of their transgression, salvation has come to the Gentiles **to make Israel envious**. Would any observer of your Christian walk be jealous of your life with Christ?

5. Share the scriptures – Old Covenant and New Covenant. In the same way most professing Christians are unfamiliar with the Bible, so it is with Jews. Today, being Jewish, for most Jews, is an ethnic and cultural issue; not a religious issue. Emphasize how Jewish the New Covenant Book is.

6. Keep praying for them. Connect them with other Jewish followers of Jesus the Messiah.

7. As the Holy Spirit guides you, ask them to make a commitment to follow Yeshua.



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here are a few quotes from this book: "Jewish people who accept Yeshua as their Messiah do not "convert to another religion? But actually return to the faith of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob

fulfilled!

Some Jews are Orthodox or Hasidic, but the majority of American Jews are agnostic or secular; few Jews know or even read the Old Testament (the Old Covenant).

Believers must remember, however, that although showing love, concern and comfort to the Jewish people is important, it is no substitute for witnessing and sharing the Gospel with them. All believers are responsible to witness and to share their faith with Jewish people. Simply loving the Jewish people without witnessing to them and sharing the Gospel with them is like the warden of a prison telling a prisoner how much he cares for him, how concerned he is for him, but never letting the prisoner know that he has received notice of a reprieve from his sentence and is, in reality, free.

Real love and true concern for the Jewish people compel believers to share the Good news of salvation that Yeshua came, died, was buried, and arose for the forgiveness of sin for Jew and Gentile alike."



Most of you have heard about the Romans Road of Salvation. When you share the good news of Jesus, you map out a route through the Book of Romans to demonstrate our need for salvation AND that leads to

Romans 10:9 (NIV84) That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

The Jerusalem Road of Salvation maps out a parallel path journeying through the First Covenant, leading to the same destination - confess with your mouth, "Yeshua is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

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CONCLUSION:

The great evangelist, Dwight L. Moody, shared this story:

"I remember when on the North Side, I tried to reach a family time and again and failed. One night in the meeting, I noticed one of the little boys of that family. He hadn't come for any good, however: he was sticking pins in the backs of the other boys.

I thought if I could get hold of him it would do good. I used always go to the door and shake hands with the boys, and when I got to the door and saw this little boy

coming out, I shook hands with him, and patted him on the head, and said I was glad to see him, and hoped he would come again.

He hung his head and went away. The next night, however, he came back, and he behaved better than he did the previous night. He came two or three times after, and then asked us to pray for him, that he might become a Christian. That was a happy night for me.

He became a Christian, and a good one. One night I saw him weeping. I wondered if his old temper had got hold of him again, and when he got up, I wondered what he was going to say. "I wish you would pray for my mother," he said.

When the meeting was over, I went to him and asked, "Have you ever spoken to your mother, or tried to pray with her?" "Well, you know, Mr. Moody," he replied, "I never had an opportunity; she don't believe, and won't hear me." "Now," I said, "I want you to talk to your mother to-night." For years I had been trying to reach her, and I couldn't do it; so I urged him to talk to her that night, and I said, "I will pray for you both."

When he got to the sitting-room he found some people there, and he sat waiting for an opportunity, when his mother said it was time for him to go to bed. He went to the door undecided. He took a step, stopped, and turned around, and hesitated for a minute, then ran to his mother and threw his arms around her neck, and buried his face in her bosom.

“What is the matter?” she asked—thought he was sick. Between his sobs he told his mother how, for five weeks, he had wanted to be a Christian; how he had stopped swearing; how he was trying to be obedient to her, and how happy he would be if she would be a Christian, and then went off to bed.

She sat for a few minutes, but couldn’t stand it, and went up to his room. When she got to the door she heard him weeping and praying, “Oh, God, convert my dear mother.” She came down again, but couldn’t sleep that night.

Next day she told the boy to go and ask Mr. Moody to come over and see her. He called at my place of business—I was in business then—and I went over as quiet as I could. I found her sitting in a rocking-chair, weeping. “Mr. Moody,” she said, “I want to become a Christian.” “What has brought that change over you; I thought you didn’t believe in it?” Then she told me how her boy had come to her, and how she hadn’t slept any all night, and how her sin rose up before her like a dark mountain.

The next Sunday that boy came and led that mother into the Sabbath-school, and she became a Christian worker. Oh, little children, if you find Christ tell it to your fathers and mothers. Throw your arms around their necks and lead them to Jesus. Let no one here, who loves the Lord Jesus Christ, be ashamed to confess [Him].”

Isaiah 52:7–10 (NIV84)

⁷ How beautiful on the mountains

are the feet of those who bring good news,
who proclaim peace,
who bring good tidings,
who proclaim salvation,
who say to Zion,
"Your God reigns!"

⁸ Listen! Your watchmen lift up their voices;
together they shout for joy.
When the Lord returns to Zion,
they will see it with their own eyes.

⁹ Burst into songs of joy together,
you ruins of Jerusalem,
for the Lord has comforted his people,
he has redeemed Jerusalem.

¹⁰ The Lord will lay bare his holy arm
in the sight of all the nations,
and all the ends of the earth will see
the salvation of our God.

Amen and amen. Let us pray.