The Gospel Must Be Preached! Romans 10:14-17 (p. #946 in pew Bible)

God the Father's desire for the nations to know His glory:

Genesis 3:15; 22:17-18; Isaiah 49:1-6; 56:7; Psalm 22:7; 1 Timothy 2:4; 2 Peter 3:9; Revelation 7:9-10

Jesus Christ's (God the Son's) desire for the Gospel to be shared:

Matthew 28:18-20; Mark 1:14-17; Luke 24:44-49; John 3:16-18; Acts 1:8

Paul's passion for the Gospel shown in Romans up to this point:

- 1:1-6 "...set apart for the gospel of God..."
- **1:9** "For God is my witness, Whom I serve with my spirit in the gospel of His Son..."
- **1:15-17** "...so I am eager to preach the Gospel to you also who are in Rome. For I am not ashamed of the gospel..."
- **2:16** "...according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus."
- 9:1-3; 10:1-4 Paul's burden for the salvation of Israelites

Other Pauline passages on a boldly proclaiming the true Gospel:

Acts 9:15-16; 13:26-42; 14:14-17; 20:22-24;

1 Corinthians 1:17-2:5; 2 Corinthians 4:3-7; 10:15-16;

Galatians 1:6-12; Ephesians 3:6-12; 6:18-20;

- 1 Thessalonians 1:4-10; 2:1-13; Romans 15:15-21;
- 1 Timothy 1:8-11; 2 Timothy 1:8-14; 2:8-10; 3:14-4:8

Big Idea: Every true Christian must boldly share the true Gospel.



- I. Every Christian is ______ to faithfully herald the true Gospel of Jesus Christ. (10:14-15; Isaiah 52:7)
 - Believing the Gospel precedes obeying ("calling"—vs. 16).
 - Hearing the Gospel precedes believing the Gospel.
 - Heralding the Gospel precedes hearing the Gospel.
 - Being sent as God's herald (or mouthpiece) of His Gospel precedes the heralding of the Gospel.
 - God delights in and sees it as "beautiful" when His people boldly and faithfully herald His Gospel of peace, goodness, and salvation to those who are not yet His worshipers.
 - "Missions exists because worship doesn't." (John Piper)

II.	The refusal of many people to believe in the Gospel is not	
	an	for Christians to stop faithfully
	heralding the true Gospel of Jesus Christ. (10:16-17;	
	Isaiah 53:1)	

Application

- 1. How are you faithfully heralding the true Gospel of Jesus Christ?
- 2. If you are not heralding the true Gospel of Jesus Christ, why not? (What is holding you back from obeying God's Word?)
- 3. <u>Don't give up!</u> (The Christian life involves learning each day how to share <u>and live out</u> the true Gospel of Jesus Christ more clearly and more efficiently.)