

Called to the Gospel



What then shall we say? That the Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, have obtained it, a righteousness that is by faith; **ROMANS 9:30**



but the people of Israel, who pursued the Law as the way of righteousness, have not attained their goal.

ROMANS 9:31



Why not? Because they pursued it not by faith but as if it were by works. They stumbled over the stumbling stone. **ROMANS 9:32**



As it is written: "See, I lay Gost in Zion a stone that causes people to stumble and a rock that makes them fall, and the one who believes in Him will never be put to shame." **ROMANS 9:33**



Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. **ROMANS 10:1**



For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. **ROMANS 10:2**



Since they did not know the righteousness of God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. **ROMANS 10:3**



Christ is the culmination of the Law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

ROMANS 10:4



"God's sovereignty is Gosp compatible with human responsibility. Israel should have believed the Gospel and trusted in Christ, but the majority refused to do so." ESV STUDY BIBLE



"In verses 6–29, Paul explains why anybody is saved; it is the sovereign election of God. In verses 30–33, he shows us why anybody is lost, and the explanation of that is their own responsibility." JOHN STOTT



The Right Way to <u>Righteousness</u> (9:30-33)



"People either build on [Christ] in faith or stumble over Him to their ruin." NIV ZONDERVAN STUDY BIBLE



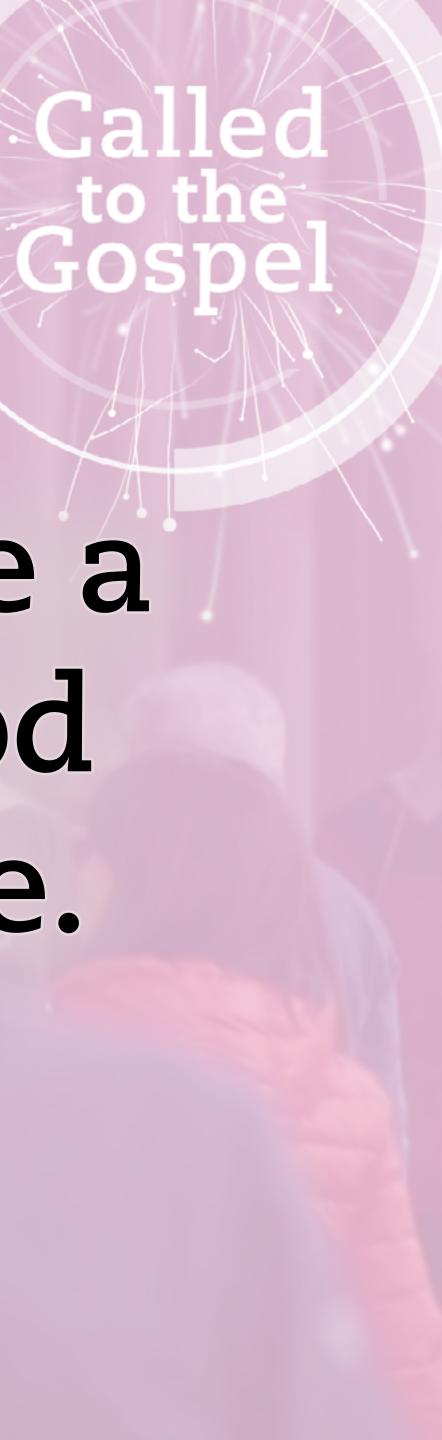
"Why do people stumble over the cross? Because it undermines our selfrighteousness." JOHN STOTT



"The fact that Christ died for our sins is proof positive that we cannot save ourselves. But to make this humiliating confession is an intolerable offence to our pride." JOHN STOTT



For salvation, good works are a wonderful evidence. But good works are a terrible entrance.



For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith — and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God — **EPHESIANS 2:8**



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not by works, so that no one can boast. EPHESIANS 2:9



For we are God's handiwork, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. **EPHESIANS 2:10**



If someone else thinks they have reasons to put confidence in the flesh, I have more: PHILIPPIANS 3:4



circumcised on the eighth day, of the people of Israel, of the tribe of Benjamin, a Hebrew of Hebrews; in regard to the Law, a Pharisee; PHILIPPIANS 3:5



as for zeal, persecuting the Church; as for righteousness based on the Law, faultless.



But whatever were gains to sake of Christ. PHILIPPIANS 3:7

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and be found in Him, not having a righteousness of my own that comes from the Law, but that which is through faith in Christ — the righteousness that comes from God on the basis of faith. PHILIPPIANS 3:9



"Paul believed deeply that he was carrying out the will of God. But his encounter with the risen Lord opened his eyes to see Him as the Messiah of God..."

F.F. BRUCE



"In his zeal for the Law he had actually opposed the purposes of God."





"It is precisely because they desired to achieve their own righteousness that they failed to believe in Christ, for believing in Christ gives all the glory to God while observing the Law means that glory and praise [comes to us]." **THOMAS SCHREINER**



The Wrong Kind of <u>Passion</u> (10:1–4)





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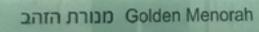
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"Sincerity is not enough, for we may be sincerely mistaken." JOHN STOTT



In the same way, you who are younger, submit yourselves to your elders. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but shows favor to the humble." **1 PETER 5:5**



"Do not think that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets; I have not come to abolish them but to fulfill them."

MATTHEW 5:17



"Christ is not the end of the Law in an absolute sense. He does not abolish the will of God as expressed in the Law. Rather His coming signals its end with regard to the attainment of righteousness..." F.F. BRUCE



"For it is only in the response of faith to Christ, in the humble submission to God's righteousness that the bondage of the Law — its revelation of sin and its inability to help us beyond it — can come to its end." F.F. BRUCE







"Like the finish line in a race, Christ was what the Law all along was directed toward; and now that Israel has reached the finish line (the coming of Christ), the race (the Law) has ended." NIV ZONDERVAN STUDY BIBLE



"The first step to obtaining the righteousness of God is to renounce our own two possible options before **US...**"

JOHN STOTT

righteousness. There are only



"The first is to attempt to build or establish our own righteousness, by our good works and religious observance. The other way is to submit to God's righteousness by receiving it from Him as a free gift through faith in Jesus Christ." JOHN STOTT



Religion vs. The Gospel

RELIGION

"I obey; therefore, I'm accepted

Motivation is based on fear insecurity.

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Adapted from Center Church by Timothy Kelle

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True righteousness is only attainable through faith in Christ.







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