



GRACE-POWERED LIVING

A Study of the Book of ROMANS

THE OTHER SIDE OF ELECTION
Romans 10

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Introduction: Today we are going to examine the other side of the doctrine of election: our responsibility to both receive and proclaim the Gospel.

I. God's Responsibility in Salvation: **Election** (Romans 9:1-29)

Romans 9:30-33 ³⁰What shall we say then? That Gentiles, who did not pursue righteousness, attained righteousness, even the righteousness which is by faith; ³¹but Israel, pursuing a law of righteousness, did not arrive at that law. ³²Why? Because they did not pursue it by faith, but as though it were by works. They stumbled over the STUMBLING STONE, ³³just as it is written, 'BEHOLD, I LAY IN ZION A STONE OF STUMBLING AND A ROCK OF OFFENSE, AND HE WHO BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED.'

II. The Unbeliever's Responsibility: **Belief** (Romans 10:1-13)

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Romans 9:1 "I am telling the truth in Christ, I am not lying, my conscience bearing me witness in the Holy Spirit,"

Romans 11:1 "I say then, God has not rejected His people, has He? May it never be! For I too am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, of the tribe of Benjamin."

Romans 10:1 "Brethren, my heart's desire and my prayer to God for them is for their salvation."

A. **Repent** (Romans 10:1-8)

Romans 10:2 "For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not in accordance with knowledge."

John 4:23-24 "²³But an hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers shall worship the Father in spirit and truth; for such people the Father seeks to be His worshipers. ²⁴God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth."

Two Kinds of Righteousness

1. **Self**-righteousness (Romans 10:3; Galatians 3:11)

Galatians 3:11 "Now that no one is justified by the Law before God is evident; for THE RIGHTEOUS MAN SHALL LIVE BY FAITH."

2. **God's** righteousness (Romans 10:4)

Romans 10:4 "For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes."

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B. **Believe** (Romans 10:9-13)

Romans 10:9-11 “⁹ that if you confess with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved; ¹⁰ for with the heart man believes, resulting in righteousness, and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation. ¹¹ For the Scripture says, ‘WHOEVER BELIEVES IN HIM WILL NOT BE DISAPPOINTED.’”

2 Peter 2:1 “But false prophets also arise among the people, just as there will also be false teachers among you, who will secretly introduce destructive heresies, even denying the Master who bought them, bringing swift destruction upon themselves.”

C. **Confess** (Romans 10:9-10; Matthew 10:32-33)

Matthew 10:32-33 “³² Everyone therefore who shall confess Me before men, I will also confess him before My Father who is in heaven. ³³ But whoever shall deny Me before men, I will also deny him before My Father who is in heaven.”

III. The Believer’s Responsibility: **Proclaim** (Romans 10:14-17)

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Romans 10:14-15, 17 “¹⁴ How then shall they call upon Him in whom they have not believed? And how shall they believe in Him whom they have not heard? And how shall they hear without a preacher? ¹⁵ And how shall they preach unless they are sent? Just as it is written, ‘HOW BEAUTIFUL ARE THE FEET OF THOSE WHO BRING GLAD TIDINGS OF GOOD THINGS!’ ¹⁷ So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.”

Romans 10:17 “So faith comes from hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ.”

2 Corinthians 5:20 “Therefore, we are ambassadors for Christ, as though God were entreating through us; we beg you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God.”

Conclusion