Romans 10:5-13 "Everyone Who Calls on the Name of the Lord"
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Why was Jesus crucified?

- Jesus was accused of blasphemy—making himself equal with God.

The difference between righteousness based on the law and that based on faith (vv. 5-8)

- The law was given to show that we can never fully keep it. (Leviticus 18:5; Galatians 3:23-29).
- Only God can completely satisfy the requirements of God's law.

Christ-followers declare that Jesus did not blaspheme—that he truly is God (vv. 9-10)

- Many have died because they tell this truth.

All who confess Jesus as Lord are saved and will live eternally with Christ (vv. 11-13)

- When we declare that Jesus is Lord, and believe that he is raised from death, we are counted as righteous and made his own.

Kingdom-minded servants of Jesus unashamedly declare that Jesus is God and that it is through his sinless life, sacrificial death, and bodily resurrection that we are made right with God.

Notes on Today's Message

Questions for Personal Study or Group Discussion

Open

- Have you ever taken an unpopular position on something? What happened when you voiced your position to others who did not agree?

Read

- Romans 10:5-13

Observe

- How would you respond to someone who says that it doesn't matter *what* you believe as long as you are *sincere*?
- What does it mean to declare that Jesus is Lord? Why does Paul say that we are to believe and to confess?
- How do you feel when you hear someone confessing Jesus as Lord in public? A little embarrassed? Or joyful?
- What is the great hope that Paul is talking about in these verses?

Apply

- Why do you think it's important for us to both *believe* and *confess* our faith?
- Describe a time when you declared the lordship of Christ to others. What was the response?
- The first creed of the Christian Faith was likely three words: "Jesus is Lord." What were the people in Rome during Paul's time affirming instead? Who or what are some gods tht compete with your allegiance to Christ?

Prayer

- Ask God for opportunities to *confess your faith* to others.
- *Express your joy* over Jesus' resurrection and your future hope.