

### WARM-UP

- If you could travel anywhere in the world, where would you go? Why?
- Share about a time when you were entrusted to tell others a very important message or to relay very important instructions. How did it go?
- When was the last time you resolved an argument with a friend? How did it happen?

**WORD** *<sup>12</sup>For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; for the same Lord is Lord of all, bestowing his riches on all who call on him. <sup>13</sup>For "everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."* **ROMANS 10:12,13**

A theme that runs throughout Romans is the power of the gospel for salvation. This salvation extends not only to individuals, but through individuals to the nations of the world, so that the mission can continue. In Romans 10, Paul addressed the division between Jewish and Greek Christ-followers, who met separately despite being followers of the same God. He pointed out that *the same Lord is Lord of all*, and His offer of salvation is extended to all. Let's look at what that means for us.

# 1 | Go and preach the gospel.

*How then will they call on him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone preaching?*

**ROMANS 10:14**

*Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.* God has extended His offer of salvation to everyone. However, if no one preaches, no one will hear the gospel, believe in it, or call on the name of the Lord. We are the means by which God is extending His offer to everyone. If no one goes to preach, then individuals and people groups would not experience the salvation that Christ paid a great price for. How has God used you in the past to share His offer of salvation to others?

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## 2 | Send workers to preach the gospel.

*And how are they to preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach the good news!"*

### **ROMANS 10:15**

Paul challenged the church in Rome to send out preachers of the gospel who would plant the seeds of the gospel, so that in the power of the gospel nations would call on God's name and be saved. He presented them with a picture: Heralds bringing the good news to those who have not yet heard it. Whether we go or send, we are all given the power and the calling to preach the gospel and continue the mission, so that the world may know Jesus Christ. How does Isaiah 52:7 help us visualize the preaching of the gospel? What are some practical ways that we could take part in sending workers to preach the gospel?

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### **APPLICATION**

- Have you called upon the name of the Lord for salvation? Would you like to hear the gospel and believe in it today? Ask someone to pray with you to receive this gift of salvation.
- To whom can you preach the gospel this week? What will you say?
- In your church community, how can you send others to preach the gospel? What do you think your role is in sending others?

