



Richfield Community Church
Life Group Discussion Questions
Sunday, October 9, 2011

Romans 10:14-21

What does it mean?

1. How would you summarize the big idea of 14-17?
2. In verse 18 Paul states, “have they not heard?” Who specifically is the “they”? Have they not heard what?
3. In verse 18 Paul quotes Psalm 19:4. Who specifically is the “their” in, “Their voice has gone out to all the earth...”?
4. What does he mean by, “Their voice has gone out.....to the ends of the world.” How far is that?
5. In demonstrating that the Jews of his day actually understand what is being said about Jesus in 10:19 Paul quotes Deuteronomy 32:21. Why does he quote Moses here? Who are the folks that are, “not a nation”, and then called “a foolish nation” that God will use to make the Jews jealous?
6. Paul again quotes the Old Testament in 10:20, it’s Isaiah this time. Who are those that find God but have not been seeking him? Who does God show himself to that did not actually ask?
7. Paul seems to end this section with an emphasis on a less than positive note (10:21). Many (Jews) are rejecting him, though God says he has “held out my hands” to them. Why does Paul end this paragraph like this?
8. How would you summarize the big idea of chapter 10? How does it fit with the big idea of chapter 9?

How does it apply?

1. Has the issue Paul is dealing with in these chapters ever bothered you? In other words, has the mass rejection of Jesus by the Jews in Paul’s day ever caused you to doubt God’s trustworthiness? Why or why not?
2. What are the issues that perhaps cause you to not trust God more fully?
3. When you think back through the first 10 chapters of Romans, what ideas that Paul has conveyed have encouraged you to trust God more?
4. When you think about trusting God, are there symptoms that suggest you could trust him more than you do? What are they?
5. In the last year, what things, ideas, people have most encouraged you to trust God more fully?
6. Right now, if there is anything that would bolster your faith in God, what would it be?