

Discussion Questions

Title of Sermon: How Someone is Saved

Passage: Romans 10:12-15

Intro -

- 1. Have you ever traveled to a place where Christianity wasn't very popular? Where?
 - a. What kinds of religious practices did you see there?
 - b. Do you think the people doing those religious practices were "saved"? Why or why not?
- 2. Do you think people need to have explicit faith in Jesus Christ in order to be saved?
 - a. Can people be saved apart from knowledge of Jesus?
 - b. What do we say about the spiritual plight of those who have never heard the Gospel?

Sermon Points -

- 1. Calling
 - a. How did you come to "call on the name of the Lord" to be saved?
 - i. What is your personal testimony of coming to faith in Christ?
 - b. In Romans 8:28-30, Paul says God calls us to salvation, but in Romans 10:13 it says that people call on God to be saved.
 - i. How can both of these be true?
 - ii. In what ways do we diminish one by emphasizing the other?
- 2. Believing
 - a. What does someone need to believe about Jesus in order to be saved?
 - i. See Romans 10:9.
 - b. What does it look like for someone to submit to the Lordship of Jesus?
 - i. Are there people who call themselves Christian, but who don't submit to the Lordship of Jesus?
 - ii. What should we think about their professions of faith?
- 3. Hearing through Preaching
 - a. How does Paul's argument in these verses answer the question regarding whether people need to have explicit faith in Jesus Christ in order to be saved?
 - b. Can someone come to faith in Jesus without hearing the message through someone proclaiming it?
 - c. What stops us from proclaiming the message of the Gospel to others?
 - i. Why do we find it hard?
 - ii. What advice can you give to others that will help them do it better?

4. Sending

- a. Do you think people in the church tend to act like "*functional universalists*" (**living** like everyone will ultimately be saved) even if they disagree with "*intellectual universalism*" (**believing** that everyone will be saved)?
 - i. How can we overcome "functional universalism"?
- b. What is our responsibility when it comes to reaching those in the world who have never heard the Gospel message and have no access to it?
 - i. How can we take part in reaching these people?
- c. What do you know about the Multiplication Vision of Northview?
- d. What questions do you have regarding what you know?

Optional:

Was there anything not discussed that stuck out to you from the sermon?

Wrap Up and Prayer

From your discussion, what resonated with you individually or as a group? Pray for each other along with other requests.