

Text: Romans 10:1-15
Topic: Missions. Evangelism.
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The World's Only Hope

Getting Serious About the Necessity of the Gospel



1. Don't _____

2. Care _____

3. Do _____

Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's message. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's message. It is also helpful to discuss your answers with others. This can take place with friends, your family, accountability partners, or ministry groups within the church.

1. Describe your observations about our society's move toward "relativism" (i.e., the belief that people can hold opposing views about God and truth, and all be right).

How do you think this trend is affecting the Christian community in general, and missions in particular?

2. Articulate your belief regarding the *necessity* of the gospel. What are some of the ramifications of holding this view? (If you are not fully convinced that Christ is *necessary* for salvation, invest some time in reading one of the titles listed below that address that issue.)

3. What are some practical steps you can take to care more about those who are lost, who you don't personally know?

4. What will you do to get more involved in the cause of global missions?

5. Choose one of the following options to plug into or to research further:
1) become a link in a Missions Prayer Chain; 2) serve on a Missions Partnership Team; 3) participate in a short-term Missions project; 4) engage in Missions training opportunities

*Read through the Bible
in a year! Here is this
week's schedule.*

Sunday

Jer. 13-14 & Eph. 4

Monday

Jer. 15-16 & Eph. 5

Tuesday

Jer. 17-18 & Eph. 6

Wednesday

Jer. 19-20 & Phil. 1

Thursday

Jer. 21-22 & Phil. 2

Friday

Jer. 23-24 & Phil. 3

Saturday

Jer. 25-26 & Phil. 4

Here are some resources that may help you cultivate an urgency for evangelism that targets the entire world.

Beckwith, Frank & Greg Koukl. **Relativism: Feet Firmly Planted in Mid-Air**. Grand Rapids: Baker Books, 1998.
Carson, D. A. **The Gagging of God: Christianity Confronts Pluralism**. Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1996.
Edwards, Jonathan. **Sinners in the Hands of an Angry God & Pardon for the Greatest of Sinners** (audio recording of the text of Edwards' 1741 & 1733 sermons). Uhrichsville, OH: Barbour Publishing, 1998.
House, Paul & Gregory Thornbury. **Who Will Be Saved? Defending the Biblical Understanding of God, Salvation and Evangelism**. Wheaton: Crossway, 2000.
Johnstone, Patrick and Jason Mandryk. **Operation World: 21st Century Edition**. Waynesboro: Paternoster, 2001.
Lutzer, Erwin. **Christ Among Other Gods**. Chicago: Moody Press, 1994.
Metzger, Will. **Tell the Truth: The Whole Gospel to the Whole Person by Whole People**. Downers Grove: InterVarsity Press, 1984.
Nash, Ronald. **Is Jesus the Only Savior?** Grand Rapids: Zondervan, 1994.
Peterson, Robert. **Hell on Trial: The Case for Eternal Punishment**. Phillipsburg: P & R Publishing, 1995.
Ryken, Philip. **Is Jesus the Only Way?** Wheaton: Crossway Books, 2000.
Thomas, Robert. "Jesus' View of Eternal Punishment," **The Master's Seminary Journal** vol.9, no.2 (Fall 1998) : pp.147-167 (see also the four accompanying articles in this issue).
Zacharias, Ravi. **Jesus Among Other Gods: The Absolute Claims of the Christian Message**. Nashville: Word Publishing, 2000.