



**EVANGELISM**<sup>&</sup>  
THE END OF THE WORLD  
Taking On the Gospel's Biggest Obstacle  
ROMANS 10:2-5

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*2 For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge.  
3 For, being ignorant of the righteousness of God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness.  
4 For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes. 5 For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. (ESV)*

**1. Realize** \_\_\_\_\_ (v.2)

**2. Strongly** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.3a, 5)

**3. Call** \_\_\_\_\_ (vv.3b-4)

# Application Questions

These questions are provided for your further study and application of today's sermon. Thoughtfully writing out the answers to these questions will help to drive home the point of today's study. It is also helpful when you are able to discuss your answers with others.

1. Why is it actually *unloving* to conclude, as so many do today in our "Christian" culture, that if a person is "devoted to God" or "loves Jesus" then that person will probably be "alright" and is not in need of our evangelistic efforts?
2. Read **Mark 1:15**, **Hebrews 6:1** and **Acts 20:21**. Clarify in your mind and succinctly write out why these two distinct components of the one biblical response to the gospel are each important to understand and communicate in our evangelism.
3. When asked, "Why should God accept you?" most people will answer, "Because I'm a good person" or "Because I'm trying to do what's right". How would you succinctly and biblically respond to this common misconception?
4. Read **Luke 18:9-14**. How do "lateral comparisons" feed our sinful tendencies to attempt to earn God's favor?
5. Why do you think so many people stumble over grace (i.e., God has provided all the righteousness necessary for salvation through the work of Christ)?
6. How would you respond to someone who claims that because of grace we can live however we want, without any real concern about God's rules?

## **The Compass "Bible Reading" Schedule for this Week:**

Go to [ESV.org](http://ESV.org) (*Reading Plans: Through the Bible*) for schedule prompts.

### **September 12<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.21-22 & 2Cor.4*

### **September 13<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.23-24 & 2Cor.5*

### **September 14<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.25-27 & 2Cor.6*

### **September 15<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.28-29 & 2Cor.7*

### **September 16<sup>th</sup>**

*Prov.30-31 & 2Cor.8*

### **September 17<sup>th</sup>**

*Ecc.1-3 & 2Cor.9*

### **September 18<sup>th</sup>**

*Ecc.4-6 & 2Cor.10*

### **September 19<sup>th</sup>**

*Ecc.7-9 & 2Cor.11:1-15*

For sermons on MP3 go to [FPR.info](http://FPR.info). The following are other available sermons related to today's subject matter.

CD # 0652 – **Good Works & Eternal Life**

CD # 0919 – **Making Sense of Abraham's Faith & Works**

CD # 0935 – **Set Free to Live Right: But What About Grace?**

CD # 0732 – **Seeing Obedience as an Act of Worship**

CD # 0215–0218 – **All You Need** (a four-part series on the meaning and implications of grace)

Here are some books which may assist you in a deeper study of the truths presented in today's sermon. While Pastor Mike cannot endorse every concept presented in each book, he does believe these resources will be helpful in profitably thinking through today's topic.

Boice, James Montgomery. **Whatever Happened to the Gospel of Grace?** Crossway Books, 2001.

Edwards, Jonathan. **Justification by Faith Alone**. Reprint. Soli Deo Gloria, 2000.

Lloyd-Jones, Martyn. **Assurance of Our Salvation: Studies in John 17**. Crossway Books, 2000.

MacArthur, John. **Faith Works: The Gospel According to the Apostles**. Zondervan, 1994.

MacArthur, John, R. C. Sproul, Joel Beeke, et al. **Justification by Faith (2<sup>nd</sup> Edition)**. Soli Deo Gloria, 2003.

Murray, John. **Redemption Accomplished and Applied**. Eerdmans, 1984.

Piper, John. **Future Grace: The Purifying Power of Living by Faith**. Multnomah Press, 1998.

Schaeffer, Francis A. **The Finished Work of Christ: The Truth of Romans 1 – 8**. Crossway Books, 1998.

Sproul, R. C. **Faith Alone: The Evangelical Doctrine of Justification**. Baker Books, 1995.

Spurgeon, C. H. **All of Grace**. Whitaker House, 1985.

White, James R. **The God Who Justifies**. Bethany House, 2001.