**Sermon Series:** Romans

Sermon Text: Romans 10:14-21 Faith Comes through Hearing

The Church evangelizes the nations knowing that God reveals His glory and gospel effectively in both salvation and judgment.

- 1) The necessity of God's revelation (10:14-15)
  - a) Conversion: v. 13 "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."
  - b) How is a person converted? 2 ways of answering:
    - i) Divine Work Accomplished (Eph. 1): Father electing; Son atoning; Spirit regenerating
    - ii) Instrumental Means: the Church proclaiming the gospel (Rom. 10:14-15)
      - (1) Necessity of calling on Christ
      - (2) Necessity of believing on Christ
      - (3) Necessity of hearing about Christ
      - (4) Necessity of preaching Christ
      - (5) Necessity of sending preachers
  - c) Application: Missions, Evangelism, Public Theology
- 2) The symphony of God's revelation (10:15-19)
  - a) The Beauty of the Gospel Witness (v. 15)
  - b) Special Revelation (vv. 15-17)
    - i) "those who preach the good news" (v. 15)
    - ii) "Isaiah says" . . . "what he has heard from us" (v. 16)
    - iii) "the word of Christ" (v. 17)
  - c) General Revelation (v. 18-19)
    - i) v. 18: Psalm 19—Creation
    - ii) v. 19: Deuteronomy 32:21—Providence
  - d) **Application**: The Explanatory Power of the Gospel
- 3) The efficacy of God's revelation (10:17, 19-21)
  - a) The Power of the Word of Christ (v. 17)
  - b) For Judgment (v. 19)
  - c) For Salvation (v. 20)
  - d) Divine Patience (v. 21)
  - e) **Application**:
    - i) Confidence that God's purposes in judgment and salvation are being worked out effectively.
    - ii) The patience of God gives hope for repentance.

**Doxology**: Oh sing to the LORD a new song, for He has done marvelous things! His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him. The LORD has made known His salvation; He has revealed His righteousness in the sight of the nations. He has remembered His steadfast love and faithfulness to the house of Israel. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.—Psalm 98:1-3