

“Preaching as a Means of Grace”
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Sermon Text: Romans 10:12-21

1. The Voice of Christ is heard in Spirit empowered preaching. V. 12-14a

Ephesians 4:21

Ephesians 2:13–17

2 Helvetic Confession: “THE PREACHING OF THE WORD OF GOD IS THE WORD OF GOD.”

<https://www.ccel.org/creeds/helvetic.htm>

WLC Q160: Q. 160. *What is required of those that hear the word preached?*

A. It is required of those that hear the word preached, that they attend upon it with diligence, preparation, and prayer; examine what they hear by the Scriptures; receive the truth with faith, love, meekness, and readiness of mind, **as the Word of God**; meditate, and confer of it; hide it in their hearts, and bring forth the fruit of it in their lives. (<https://opc.org/lc.html>)

2. Paul defends his ministry of preaching to the Gentiles as well as to the Jews. V. 14b-17

Acts 13:4–5

Acts 13:14–16

Acts 13:44–49

Acts 14:1-2

3. The Sovereign purposes of Christ make the difference in responses to preaching. V. 18-21

Acts 13:47-52