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A RATIONALE FOR EVANGELISM  
(Romans 10:9-15)

- I. The NECESSITY of Evangelism
  - A. The human condition is DESPERATE (3:10-23)
    - 1. Every person is GUILTY
    - 2. Every person is SINFUL
    - 3. Every person is WITHOUT EXCUSE
  - B. To be SAVED, they must “call on the name of the LORD” (10:13)
  - C. To do this, they must HEAR the GOOD NEWS (10:14)
  
- II. The TARGET of Evangelism
  - A. There is only one MEANS of salvation for MANKIND (5:1-2)
  - B. All NATIONS, including ISRAEL, must hear the gospel (1:5; 11:23; 16:26)
  
- III. The MOTIVE for Evangelism
  - A. Arises from the LOVE and LONGING of the heart (9:1; 10:1)
    - 1. Anguish over the CONDITION of the lost
    - 2. Longing that they might be SAVED
  - B. Responds to the COMMAND of the LORD (Matt. 28:18-20)
  - C. Desires the GLORY of GOD (11:36)
  
- IV. The MESSAGE of Evangelism
  - A. EVERY person is a sinner CONDEMNED by God their MAKER (1:18-20)
  - B. God sent His Son in the person of JESUS (10:9a)

- C. Jesus DIED in our PLACE, and then ROSE from the dead (10:9b)
  - D. Forgiveness and salvation are available through simple FAITH (10:13)
- V. The PROGRAM of Evangelism
- A. ALL believers are responsible for sharing the TRUTH (Matt. 28:18-20)
  - B. Some are specifically GIFTED and CALLED to be evangelists (Eph. 4:11)
  - C. The church must CONFIRM, COMMISSION, AUTHORIZE, and SUPPORT those who give their lives to evangelism (Acts 13:1-3)
- VI. The PRODUCT of Evangelism
- A. Brings BLESSING to those who BELIEVE (8:29-30)
  - B. Arouses ENVY in others who SHOULD believe (10:19; 11:11, 14)
- VII. The CONFIDENCE for Evangelism
- A. Employs PRAYER and PREACHING (10:1, 14-15)
  - B. Requires the Word of God as the appointed MEANS of INSTILLING faith (10:17)
  - C. SUCCESSFUL only on the basis of God's ELECTION (8:28-30; 9:11)
- VIII. The OBJECT of Evangelism
- A. Inducts converts into the PEOPLE of GOD (11:17-24)
  - B. Brings GLORY to GOD (9:17, 22-23; 11:30-36)
    - 1. Displays His POWER
    - 2. Proclaims His NAME
    - 3. Makes known the RICHES of His GLORY
    - 4. Reveals His MERCY