

The Grace Way

Romans 10:5-10

I. The grace way of salvation does not follow the dead-end street of righteousness by law-keeping (v. 5).

- Paul quotes from Leviticus 18:5. The only way righteousness can come by the law is by doing.
- What is the problem with trying to attain righteousness by keeping the law?

II. The grace way of salvation accepts the completed work of Christ (vv. 6-7).

- Paul quotes Deuteronomy 30:12-14.
- Faith does not demand deeds in order to attain God's righteousness.
- There is no need to search for Christ to get Him to do a better job of redemption.
- Christ has done all that is necessary. All we need to do is believe.

III. The grace way of salvation is simple and near (v. 8).

- How close is the righteousness which God requires?
- How does faith speak?

IV. The grace way of salvation accepts the correct witness about Jesus Christ (vv. 9-10).

- The mouth confesses and the heart believes.
- Jesus Christ is fully qualified to be our Savior for He has been declared to be God incarnate ("A Savior not quite God would be like a bridge broken at the farthest end." Moule).
- The cross-work of Jesus Christ finds its ultimate unanswerable credential in His resurrection.

How should we then live?