

“Israel’s Failure of Faith”

Romans 10

In Romans 9 Paul emphasized God’s sovereignty by explaining Israel’s past election. In Romans 10 Paul emphasizes human responsibility by explaining Israel’s present rejection.

Israel failed because of ignorance of . . .

- I. God’s righteous _____ (10:1-3)
- II. Christ’s redemptive _____ (10:4-10)
 - A. Jesus Christ is _____.
 - B. Jesus Christ is _____.
- III. Salvation’s far-reaching _____ (10:11-18)
- IV. Scripture’s infallible _____ (10:19-21)

Do I _____? Can I _____?

Regarding “cheap grace,” Dietrich Bonhoeffer wrote . . .

Cheap grace is the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance, baptism without church discipline, communion without confession, absolution without personal confession. Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ, living and incarnate.

Later he spoke of “costly grace” . . .

Such grace is costly because it calls us to follow, and it is grace because it calls us to follow Jesus Christ. It is costly because it costs a man his life, and it is grace because it gives a man the only true life. It is costly because it condemns sin, and grace because it justifies the sinner. Above all, it is costly because it cost God the life of His Son. Above all it is grace because God did not reckon His Son too dear a price to pay for our life.