

Mission: Why?

Romans 10:9-15

- 1. When was the last time you heard some really good news? Share with the group what it was, how you felt and who you shared it with.
- 2. The Gospel = Good news. Not only is this the actual meaning of this word, the Christian message really is good news because by Jesus' death and resurrection we are forgiven and have eternal life! Share with the group when and how you came to understand just how good the good news is! Who shared this good news with you?

There is a need for belief in the good news vv9-10

- 3. Why does Paul emphasise both what we say with our lips AND believe in our hearts?
- 4. What is the significance of acknowledging Jesus is Lord, AND believing that God raised Jesus from the dead? And the result? Saved from?
- 5. What does it mean to be "justified"?

There is a need for people from all ethnic groups to hear the good news vv12-13

- 6. If "everyone (no matter of ethnic or religious background) has the same Lord who richly blesses (by saving) all who call on him", what are implications for where and among whom we ought to share the good news?
- 7. Why does CMS send people to Indonesia with over 85% of people who aren't Christians and when its mainly a Muslim nation?

There is a need for proclamation of the good news vv14-15

- 8. Jeremy pointed out the perfect logic of Paul's argument here: people can't call someone they haven't believed in, they can't believe in someone they have not heard about, they can't hear about Jesus if no one tells them, and no one will preach to them unless they are sent. What are the implications for thinking about the future of mission and the spread of the gospel?
- 9. What are the implications for our own work here in Noosa?
- 10. Why does Paul talk about the 'beautiful feet' of those who share the gospel?

For further thought

- 11. Can you name our seven mission partners?
- 12. Are there ways we can better support and pray for them?