

HOW ARE THEY TO HEAR? Romans 10:14 June 30, 2019

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1. Describe experiences you've had in sharing the gospel. In what ways did you see God at work? What could you have done differently? Share how you heard the gospel and believed in Jesus.

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2. Consider the following passages: John 3:1–21; Romans 5:1–21, 10:8–13; Ephesians 2:1–9; Colossians 1:15–23; Titus 3:3–7 & 1 John 2:1–2. Based on what you read, in your own words and in one or two sentences, what is the gospel—the good news?
3. Read Romans 10:14. What did Pastor Matthew say about the word “preaching” at the end of the verse? In what way does the clarity he gave help shape your own effort in sharing the gospel?
4. Take time to process the things that keep us from confidently and joyfully proclaiming the good news.
5. The Word of God calls us to engage the world around us intentionally and with savvy, wisdom and love. Thoughtfully read 2 Timothy 2:15 & 1 Peter 1:13, 3:15. What wisdom do you gain for engaging those around you well?

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6. There are many practical ways to unpack the good news (the gospel). For instance:
 - a. **The Roman Road** (Romans 3:23, 6:23, 5:8 and 10:9–13)
 - b. **The ABCs of the Gospel** (**A:** Admit your sin and your need for a Savior. **B:** Believe Jesus is God's provision for your salvation. **C:** Call on Him as your Savior and Lord.)
 - c. **Bad News/Good News** (Bad News: Romans 3:23 & 6:23. Good News: Romans 5:8 & Ephesians 2:8–9).

Familiarize yourself with one or more of these simple tools. Reflect on these and other scripture and, in your own words, craft a simple, clear, authentic and biblically-rooted gospel presentation that you can easily share.

7. With your Life Group or family and friends talk through meaningful strategies for directing conversations toward the gospel. Ask the Lord to help you do this well.
8. Identify by name and pray for those you wish to have a relationship with Jesus Christ. Ask the Father to use you to share the gospel with them. Pray to “always [be] prepared” (1 Peter 3:15) for those opportunities.