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PRAYER

God, help us to see beyond ourselves, for when we do, we discover you and your heart, because that is where you are. As we look out for others, we put our trust in you looking out for us. In Jesus' name, Amen.

WARM UP

(OPTIONAL)

What is the greatest thing that a person whom you did not know very well ever do for you?

NOTES

WORD

¹ Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. ² For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. ³ Since they did not know the righteousness of God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. ⁴ Christ is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes.

⁵ Moses writes this about the righteousness that is by the law: "The person who does these things will live by them." ⁶ But the righteousness that is by faith says: "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?' " (that is, to bring Christ down) ⁷ "or 'Who will descend into the deep?' " (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). ⁸ But what does it say? "The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: ⁹ If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. ¹¹ As Scripture says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame." ¹² For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on him, ¹³ for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

¹⁴ How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? ¹⁵ And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

[Romans 10:1-15](#) (ESV)

GUIDE QUESTIONS

(NUMBERED ACCORDING TO LEVEL OF DEPTH AND READINESS TO SHARE)

1. On a scale from 1-10 (1 = not at all, 10 = all the time, every time), how vocal are you about your faith or religious views and why?
2. Why do you think the apostle Paul was so zealous for God to save people?

3. Why do you think it is important to declare your faith with your mouth that you profess your faith? Can you just believe without verbalising or vocalising it?
4. Verse 11 says, "Anyone who believes in him will never be put to shame." What does this statement mean to never be put to shame when you trust God?
5. Part of the reason declaring with your mouth is important is so that others can hear about it and be changed. What are your obstacles to declaring your faith publicly? Do you face obstacles when you feel the need to share the Good News?

PRAYER LIST