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How to Make Your Feet Beautiful!

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Romans 10:13-21 ¹³for, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” ¹⁴How then can they call on the One in whom they have not believed? And how can they believe in the One of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone to preach? ¹⁵And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written: “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!” ¹⁶But not all of them welcomed the good news. For Isaiah says, “Lord, who has believed our message?” ¹⁷Consequently, faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of Christ. ¹⁸But I ask, did they not hear? Indeed they did: “Their voice has gone out into all the earth, their words to the ends of the world.” ¹⁹I ask instead, did Israel not understand? First, Moses says: “I will make you jealous by those who are not a nation; I will make you angry by a nation without understanding.” ²⁰And Isaiah boldly says: “I was found by those who did not seek Me; I revealed Myself to those who did not ask for Me.” ²¹But as for Israel he says: “All day long I have held out My hands to a disobedient and obstinate people.” (BSB)

I. What are the details of this passage?

- A.** There is a **progression** listed here that takes someone from not knowing Christ to calling on Him for salvation.
 - 1. You must believe in His ability to **save** you before you can call on His name. V. 13-14a
 - 2. They must **hear** about who He is and what He has done for you. V. 14b
 - 3. Someone must **share** their story and what the Bible says about Christ with you. V. 14c
 - 4. Someone must **equip** the sharers to send them out to share. V. 15
- B.** Some will never **believe** no matter how well the message of Christ is presented to them. V. 16
- C.** Faith is **essential** to salvation, just hearing is not enough. V. 17-18
- D.** Your family **history** is neither a guarantee nor a hindrance to salvation. V. 19-20
- E.** Disobedience and stubborn refusal to believe and act are **obstacles** to salvation. V. 21

II. How can we apply these truths?

- A.** All of us must understand how to **present** the life saving message of Jesus Christ to others.
- B.** The results are never guaranteed to be **positive**. We must have soft hearts and hard skin. Unfortunately, many Christians have this backwards!
- C.** We must exercise our faith by **stretching** ourselves and become obedient to our calling to bring people to Christ.
- D.** We must perform **heart** checks for the condition of our **heart** soil.