

ISRAEL AND THE MESSAGE OF GOD

Romans 10:19-21

INTRODUCTION:

A. Faith comes from hearing God's word

- 1) *verse 17*
- 2) It must be mixed with faith

B. Have all heard?

- 1) *verse 18*
- 2) *Psalms 19:1-4*
- 3) *Romans 1:20*

I. What About Israel? *verse 19*

A. *"But I say, Did not Israel know?"*

- 1) "But again I ask..." TENT
- 2) "*know*" = γινωσκω = "to perceive", "to understand", "obtain knowledge or insight", To have a true and personal relation between the person knowing and the object known.

B. *"First Moses saith, I will provoke you to jealousy by them that are no people..."*

- 1) "In reply, I first quote Moses..."
- 2) "*provoke to jealousy*" = παραζηλωω = "to make jealous", "provoke to jealousy"
- 3) "I will make you jealous of a nation that is no nation"

C. *"and by a foolish nation I will anger you"*

- 1) "*foolish*" = ασυνετος = "irrational in conduct", "stupid", "not understanding"
- 2) "*anger*" = παροργιζω = "to provoke to anger by, or along with some other act"



2) *"stretched forth"* = εκπεταυννυμι = "to spread out", "to stretch out", "expand"

B. *"...unto a disobedient and gainsaying people"*

1) *"disobedient"* = απειθεω = "not to suffer one's self to be persuaded", "to refuse to believe"

2) *"gainsaying"* = αντιλεγω = "to say against", "to contradict", "recount against"

C. Israel, the nation to whom God constantly affirmed His love, stubbornly refused to accept his love.

1) They said, "you don't love!"

2) They spoke in a manner as to condemn the way God dealt with them.

