

## **How to Handle Rejection (of the Gospel)**

### **Romans 10:16-17**

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*"But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, 'Lord, who has believed our report?' So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." (Romans 10:16-17; NKJ)*

*"...that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. For the Scripture says, 'Whoever believes on Him will not be put to shame.' For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek, for the same Lord over all is rich to all who call upon Him. For 'whoever calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'" (Romans 10:9-13; NKJ)*

### **V. How to Handle \_\_\_\_\_ (of the Gospel)**

#### **A. Don't be \_\_\_\_\_ by a \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ to the Gospel!**

*"But they have not all obeyed the gospel. For Isaiah says, 'Lord, who has believed our report?'" (v 16)*

*"Truly, these times of ignorance God overlooked, but now commands all men everywhere to repent, because He has appointed a day on which He will judge the world in righteousness by the Man whom He has ordained. He has given assurance of this to all by raising Him from the dead." (Acts 17:30-31; NKJ)*

#### **B. Don't be \_\_\_\_\_ by a negative response to the Gospel!**

*"Then He spoke many things to them in parables, saying: "Behold, a sower went out to sow. And as he sowed, some seed fell by the wayside; and the birds came and devoured them. Some fell on stony places, where they did not have much earth; and they immediately sprang up because they had no depth of earth. But when the sun was up they were scorched, and because they had no root they withered*

*away. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up and choked them. But others fell on good ground and yielded a crop: some a hundredfold, some sixty, some thirty. He who has ears to hear, let him hear!" (Matthew 13:3-8; NKJ)*

*"Likewise, I say to you, there is joy in the presence of the angels of God over one sinner who repents." (Luke 15:10; NKJ)*

#### **C. \_\_\_\_\_ your \_\_\_\_\_ by the \_\_\_\_\_ of the Word of Christ!**

*"So then faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God." (v 17)*

*"And when they had preached the gospel to that city and made many disciples, they returned to Lystra, Iconium, and Antioch, strengthening the souls of the disciples, exhorting them to continue in the faith, and saying, 'We must through many tribulations enter the kingdom of God.'" (Acts 14:21-22; NKJ)*

*"And as they went through the cities, they delivered to them the decrees to keep, which were determined by the apostles and elders at Jerusalem. So the churches were strengthened in the faith, and increased in number daily." (Acts 16:4-5; NKJ)*

*"There is no fear in love; but perfect love casts out fear, because fear involves torment. But he who fears has not been made perfect in love." (1 John 4:18; NKJ)*

*"Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven." (Luke 10:20; NKJ)*

#### **D. Strengthen your faith as \_\_\_\_\_ of the Word of Christ!**

*"And let us consider one another in order to stir up love and good works, not forsaking the assembling of ourselves together, as is the manner of some, but exhorting one another, and so much the more as you see the Day approaching." (Hebrews 10:24-25; NKJ)*