

RESPONSES TO THE GOOD NEWS

ROMANS 10:18-21

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Backstory: How can it be that Gentiles attained righteousness that is by faith but God's chosen people did not? Romans 9:30 - 10:17

Israel used wrong _____ to a clear _____
that is to be received by the faith of those who _____.

The Question of the day:

"But I ask, have they not _____?" 10:18

The Answer: "Indeed they have..."

The Witnesses provide _____ that Israel has heard.

Witness #1 _____ David--the man after God's own heart

"Their voice goes out through all the earth, and their words
to the end of the world." Psalm 19:4

Proof #1 _____ universal speech

Witness #2 Moses--the great _____ of Israel

"So I will make them jealous with those who are no people;
I will provoke them to anger with a foolish nation."

Deuteronomy 32:21b

Proof #2 _____ caused God to "work around" His
chosen people.

Note: Israel is His chosen people to be a light to the nations
(Isaiah 49:6). But He doesn't need anybody to be His
witness. He can use "stones to cry out" (Luke 19:40).

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Witness #3 Isaiah--the greatest of the _____

But of Israel He says, "All day long I have held out My hands to a
disobedient and contrary people..." Isaiah 65:1-2

Proof #3 Willful _____

"Now these things happened to them as an example,
but they were written down for our instruction, on
whom the end of the ages has come. Therefore let
anyone who thinks that he stands take heed lest
he fall." 1 Corinthians 10:11-12

How have you responded to the voice of creation?

Have you replaced God with idols that cause Him to work around you?
If so, what are you willing to do to change?

If you are willfully disobedient, what are you learning from the bad
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Proof #2 **Idolatry** caused God to "work around" His chosen people.

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Proof #3 Willful **disobedience**

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