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Evangelism is both the responsibility and the very lifeblood of the local church.

"A Christian is either a soulwinner or a backslider." – Charles Finney

Today's Scripture Passage

Romans 10:1, NIV – 1 Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved.

Romans 10:13-15, NIV – ¹³for, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." ¹⁴How, 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? ¹⁵And how can anyone preach unless they are sent? As it is written: "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

Are your feet too CLEAN to be beautiful?

(Isaiah 52:7; Nahum 1:15)

3 Lessons on Evangelism by Thom Rainer:

- 1. Evangelism is hard work. Anything worthwhile is.
- 2. Prayer is foundational. Your knees must be as worn as your feet.
- 3. Evangelism is both relational and confrontational. *It must never be one without the other.*

Study Section

A. The Means of Salvation (v. 13)

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B. The Message of Salvation (v. 14)

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The *law* brings about wrath and curse (Gal 3, Rom 4), but the *gospel* brings freedom, joy and good news (Isa 61, Luke 4, Mark 1)!

C. The Messengers of Salvation (v. 15)

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Paul determined he would be known for one thing: his only aim was to testify the good news (Acts 20:24, 1 Cor 2:2).

Conclusion and Action Steps

What are you *known* for? What do your feet *look* like? When did you last *try* to lead someone to Christ?

- 1. Prepare yourself now to share the gospel.
- 2. Trust God will direct you to the right hearts.
- 3. Ask God to show you great and mighty things as you go in His name.
- 4. If you have truly been born again, give yourself in service to your King.