

Activity #3: Print this out for the older student group leaders.

Group Discussion for Romans 10:14-21

6th-10th Grade: "Real-Life Decision Breakdown"

Purpose:

Helps students understand the connection between hearing and believing & connects Romans 10 to everyday relationships and opportunities

What You Need:

- Whiteboard or paper
- Markers
- Scenario sheet (or read aloud)

Activity Steps:

1. Break into small groups (3-4 students)

Each group answers:

Part A – How Do People Come to Faith?

Discuss:

- How can someone believe in Jesus if they have never heard about Him?
- Why does God use people to share the Gospel?
- Have you ever thought about how someone first told you about Jesus?

Romans 10:14-15

Have students discuss:

- Sharing the Gospel
- God's messengers
- Personal responsibility

Part B – Faith Comes by Hearing

Have them discuss hearing vs responding:

Romans 10:16-17

Discuss:

- Why hearing alone is not enough
- How faith is produced
- The role of God's Word
- Why some people reject the message

Hearing the Gospel	Responding in Faith
Listening to the message	Trusting Christ
Learning truth	Believing truth
Knowing about Jesus	Following Jesus
Exposure to truth	Personal faith

Part C – Why Did Israel Reject the Message?

Ask: "Was Israel's unbelief because they never heard the truth?"

Have students look up tie-in scriptures and connect:

- Isaiah 52:15 "Thus He will sprinkle many nations, Kings will shut their mouths on account of Him..."
- Isaiah 65:1 "I was found by those who did not seek Me..."
- Matthew 28:19-20 "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations..."
- 1 Corinthians 15:1-4 "Now I make known to you, brethren, the gospel which I preached to you..."

Discuss:

- Israel heard the message
- God patiently called them
- Many Gentiles believed
- Unbelief was not caused by lack of information but by rejection of God's truth

Group Discussion Questions:

- Why can sharing the Gospel sometimes feel intimidating?
- What keeps people from believing even after hearing the truth?
- How does God's patience encourage us when people reject the Gospel?

2. Personal or Out loud Reflection (Silent – 5 minutes)

"Do I understand the Good News of Jesus to share with others?"

OR

Am I listening to God's Word with a willing and obedient heart?

Prayer & Reflection: Ask God to reveal any pride in your heart that may come from your knowledge of the Gospel or His Word. Remember that salvation is a gift of God's grace that none of us deserves. Pray for a humble heart that desires to know God more deeply and to faithfully study and obey His Word.

(No sharing required if done silently- keep it personal)

Key for Lesson: God has chosen to spread the Gospel through His people. Faith comes through hearing God's Word, and believers are called to faithfully share the message of Jesus with others.