

**Family preparation for congregational worship on November 19, 2017**

**Our Scripture-Romans 10:1-11 (ESV):** *Brothers, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. <sup>2</sup> For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. <sup>3</sup> For, being ignorant of the righteousness of God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. <sup>4</sup> For Christ is the end of the law for righteousness to everyone who believes. <sup>5</sup> For Moses writes about the righteousness that is based on the law, that the person who does the commandments shall live by them. <sup>6</sup> But the righteousness based on faith says, "Do not say in your heart, 'Who will ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down) <sup>7</sup> "or 'Who will descend into the abyss?'" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). <sup>8</sup> But what does it say? "The word is near you, in your mouth and in your heart" (that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); <sup>9</sup> because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. <sup>10</sup> For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved. <sup>11</sup> For the Scripture says, "Everyone who believes in him will not be put to shame."*

**Discuss:**

1. What is Paul's greatest desire (v.1)?
2. What simple instructions does Paul give us for salvation (vv.9-10)?
3. What promise is given to anyone who puts their faith in Christ (v.11)?

**Prayer:** Praise the Lord that we can trust Him. Praise the Lord for giving us citizenship in heaven. Ask God to search your heart and cleanse you from any sin the Holy Spirit brings to mind. Pray for your neighbors' salvation. Pray for the courage to follow the Lords leading. Pray for Tim and Luda Smith as they work in very difficult area of this world. Ask the Lord who He would have you invite to church this coming Sunday.

**Memorize: (November)** *"Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me." John 14:6 (ESV)*

**Music:** As you meditate and prepare your heart for worship this Sunday, sing this song to the Lord;

I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus, I have decided to follow Jesus,

No turning back, No turning back.

The world behind me, the cross before me; the world behind me, the cross before me,  
The world behind me the cross before me,

No turning back, No turning back.

*"I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"; The Celebration Hymnal, #602, Word Music/Integrity Music © 1997*

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