

Reformation (observed) – 2025

Saturday, 10/25 at 4:00 | Sunday, 10/26 at 9:00

How to Care about Others

Part 3



Ask Some Key Questions... Share the Roman Road

Text: NAS 1995

Introduction

Dear Friend: This is **part 3** of a new brochure: **How to Care about Others** (*parts 1 & 2 are available at www.blc7500.com*).

The brochure includes **seven overall steps** to take to show our love and concern for others.

We have covered these five steps in parts 1 and 2:

1. Ask thought-provoking questions!
2. Establish the source of truth!
3. Clarify our problem!
4. Show our helplessness!
5. Explain God's love!

We now conclude this series with these important topics:

6. Call for Repentance
7. Live for Christ

Call For Repentance

9. Romans 10:9-10 “...if you **confess** with your mouth Jesus as Lord, and **believe** in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved; for **with the heart a person believes, resulting in righteousness** *[the exact thing God requires for us to enter heaven]*, and **with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.**”

- a. Long ago, during certain periods of the Roman Empire, people were required to confess “Caesar is Lord”. For Christians, that was a direct conflict with their religious beliefs; refusal often led to severe persecution.
- b. Today, many proceed by **SAYING** Jesus is Lord but by **LIVING** as if family, job, money, sports, etc. is Lord.

Biblical repentance ✦is in harmony with God’s will (2Co. 7:10), ✦is worked by the Spirit (1Co. 12:3), ✦is worked through the word (Jam. 1:18), and ✦is a change of allegiance **from** the things of this world **to** our Lord Jesus Christ. Saving repentance:

- **begins** in the heart,
- **is spoken** by the lips, and
- **is lived out** in daily life!

10. **Romans 10:13** “Whoever [παῖς – denoting highest degree of *all* (BW, Friberg)] will call on the name of the Lord will be saved.” // When God invites us to call on Him (Mk. 1:15 – *which is a gospel imperative*), God’s invitation includes the power to respond to His invitation (Jn. 6:44).
11. **Romans 5:1** “...having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...”
- a. By works – *There is **no peace!** Why?* Because we could **never** know if we had done enough to meet **our false version** of God’s requirement.
- b. By faith – *There is **peace!** Why?* Because we are trusting in Jesus, who has *fully met God’s true requirement* for us. People saved by faith are:
- Forgiven by God!
 - Indwelt by the Holy Spirit!
 - Spiritually alive!
 - Members of God’s kingdom!
 - In possession of eternal life!
 - Heaven bound!

Live For Christ

12. **Romans 12:2** “...do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.” // We were controlled by our old nature – *like the rest of the fallen world*, but now we want our new nature to change our lives by:

- a. Growing us in God's word.
- b. Helping us put Christ first.
- c. Helping us say "no" to sin.
- d. Moving us to live in harmony with the Bible.
- e. Guiding us to care about the spiritual condition of others.

Conclusion

Let us remain ready – *since Jesus will return at an unexpected time*: **1 Thess. 5:2** "...you yourselves know full well that the day of the Lord will come just like a thief in the night."

Let us not delay – *the time is now*: **2Co. 6:2** "...**now** is 'the acceptable time,' behold, **now** is 'the day of salvation...'"

How to mark your Bible with the Roman Road: **Turn** to **Romans 3:10**, **write** and a 1 in the margin, **circle** the 1, **draw** an arrow down, **write** **Rom. 3:23**. Then, next to *each Romans passage in this brochure* – numbers **1-12**, write the number and the next verse. Then, *to share the Roman Road*, turn to **Rom. 3:10** and follow what you have marked in your Bible.

Let Us Pray: Dear LORD, we thank You for **step 1** – *giving us this valuable resource to show our love and concern for others*. Now, we ask for **step 2** – that You would move us by the Spirit to ♦get familiar with the contents, ♦identify a person, ♦pray for an opportunity, and ♦seize the opportunity!

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