

Lesson 9

August 1, 2021

Seeking Confidence

Romans 10:5-17

The Apostle Paul was confident and bold when speaking the Word of God. In our contemporary scenario, we will see how Langston boldly spoke against others who would not embrace with joy the possibility of salvation for all.

Langston headed to campus last fall. She joined a club that publicized having a "Christian" belief system. Soon, Langston noticed that some members of the club wanted to refuse membership and fellowship to certain students because they were "different" ethnically, culturally, etc.

Langston did not like this behavior and spoke out against it! She said that God is impartial and backs that up in Romans 10:12. Paul says that God shows no favoritism or rejection. The Gospel is for everyone. Because of salvation, one is saved when they confess Lord Jesus with their mouth and acknowledge in their heart that God raised Jesus from the dead. Langston said that everyone is welcomed equally by God. Just as Paul stood against the Jewish opposition to sharing the Gospel with Gentiles, Langston confidently stood up to the club members to remind them that anyone who calls upon the Lord is entitled to the rich blessings of salvation! Some club members told Langston not to preach to them about salvation and they refused to listen.

Later, Langston learned that a club member bragged online about "Zoom bombing" a virtual class and embarrassed a student of the "different" group with disparaging chants because the student had reported the club's discriminatory actions to office of Student Affairs. Langston left the club. The school suspended the club for their discriminatory practices. Langston hooked up with another club that was a true Christian organization.

Discussion Questions:

- 1. When have you spoken boldly and confidently, even when you knew others did not want to hear what you had to say?
- 2. Discuss the essentials of salvation.
- 3. Share one or two rich blessings that believers enjoy by calling on the name of Jesus.
- 4. Discuss why the offer of salvation will not always be accepted.