

WITHOUT CONFESSION OTHERS WILL NOT KNOW

This is sermon #4 of five on the plan of salvation.

I must admit this morning that there are many things about the laws of our land that I simply do not understand. One thing in particular is how a confession that has been made by someone who committed a crime can later be thrown out and said that it is not admissible evidence. Then, on the other hand, in light of being a Christian, maybe I can understand it. How? I have seen many people who at one time in their life confessed Jesus Christ to be the Lord of their life, and then later on live a life that totally denied such a confession.

When you make a confession about something you are admitting it to be a fact. You are saying, "There is no need to discuss this any further. It is truth. This is the way it is." And as a Christian, when you confess something about God, you are saying, "This is what I believe about my God." Confession initially comes from your mouth, but that isn't the only place. It will eventually be seen in your lifestyle as well.

Peter confessed in Matthew 16:16, "You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God." What did He say? Two things. 1.) Jesus is God. 2.) He lives. There is no shame in believing that. I am not ashamed in believing that Jesus is God and that He lives today.

There must be a time when it bursts out of your mouth for the first time. A time when you say, "I believe!" After that it becomes like a newly tapped artesian well. It just keeps on flowing out of your life. It starts with the mouth, and it becomes visible in your actions. Everything we say and everything we do in our lives confesses to others around us that Jesus Christ is God, and that He lives today.

I love my wife, my sons, my daughter-in-law and my grandchildren, but my first love is God. You see, I can love my God and still love my family, but if I leave God out of the picture, then my love for them and you will be limited to only this earth. I love them more than that. I love you more than that. Confess Jesus as the living God.

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