



**Series:** Promises

**Sermon:** Part 3: How Must I Be Saved?

**Date:** Sunday, July 16th, 2023

### **3 Common Postures of Non-Believers Towards God**

- a. Ignorance
- b. Apathetic
- c. Hurt

### **Religious Moralism**

For Christians this is known as legalism.

For non-Christians it is really just moralism (trying to be a good person).

Christians can fall into legalistic tendencies that emphasize a system of rules and regulations for achieving both \_\_\_\_\_ and spiritual growth.

When we are always trying to keep the rules or stick to our moral standards in order to look good, in front of others or with God, it gets \_\_\_\_\_.

*Brothers and sisters, my heart's desire and prayer to God for the Israelites is that they may be saved. For I can testify about them that they are zealous for God, but their zeal is not based on knowledge. Since they did not know the righteousness of God and sought to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. nChrist is the culmination of the law so that there may be righteousness for everyone who believes. (Romans 10:1-4)*

*But what does it say? "The Word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart," that is, the message concerning faith that we proclaim: If you declare with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. (Romans 10:8-9)*

### **Confess and Believe:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ : Agreeing that what Jesus said about Himself is true; that Jesus is God and His death on the cross is the only way for salvation

2. \_\_\_\_\_ : Putting your faith in Jesus

Belief and follow always go hand in hand.

"Saved" meaning, saved from your \_\_\_\_\_.



*“For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him.” (John 3:16-17)*

*For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you profess your faith and are saved. As Scripture says, “Anyone who believes in Him will never be put to shame.” For there is no difference between Jew and Gentile—the same Lord is Lord of all and richly blesses all who call on Him, for, “Everyone who calls on the Name of the Lord will be saved.” (Romans 10:10-13)*

**The Jews Believed: Faith in Jesus + \_\_\_\_\_ = Salvation (Being right with God)**

**Scripture Says: Faith in Christ + \_\_\_\_\_ Else = Salvation (Being right with God)**

*For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God— not by works, so that no one can boast. (Ephesians 2:8-9)*

*How, then, can they call on the One they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the One of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them?” (Romans 10:14)*

In order to believe the Good News, one must \_\_\_\_\_ the Good News.

**Bottom Line:** *If you declare with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. (Romans 10:9)*

**Questions to reflect on this week or with others:**

1. Are you saved? What obstacles prevent you from confessing and believing?
2. If you consider yourself to be a believer, then are you following Jesus in all aspects of your life?
3. If you have confessed and believed in Jesus, what are you doing with the salvation that you have? Who are you helping to lead towards Jesus so that they can be saved?

*Songs used in service: Lord, I Need You (Matt Maher), Graves Into Gardens (Elevation Worship), Broken Vessels (Hillsong), Who I Am (Ben Fuller)*

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**Any prayer requests?**

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Email (so we can follow up):** \_\_\_\_\_

**What can we be praying for you about?**