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"Do You Know That You Know?"

Matthew 7:21-23

Today's BIG IDEA:

True Christian's don't just call Jesus "Lord." They know him as Lord.

1. Mere _____ won't get us into heaven (v.21)

• If Jesus is Lord, you can't honor him with your lips and deny him with your life.

2. Mere _____ won't get us into heaven (v.22-23)

- No amount of spiritual activity can take the place of true salvation.
- There are a lot of people who are saying the right things about Jesus and even doing religious things for Jesus who still don't know Jesus.

3. What <u>WILL</u> get us into heaven?

A. _____ in Jesus...

i. _____ the gospel and _____ in

Jesus

(John 3:16; Ephesians 2:8-9)

ii. _____ of sin and _____ to

Jesus

(Luke 24:46-47; Acts 2:38; 2 Corinthians 7:10)

- You can't turn to Jesus for salvation without turning away from sin.
- iii. _____ lordship and _____

surrendering to Jesus (Romans 10:9-10)

B. ...which produces _____

_____ through Jesus (John 8:31-32)

- If you don't have a desire to obey Jesus, then he's not your Lord. And if he's not your Lord, then he's not your Savior.
- "It is true, of course, that no man enters the kingdom because of his obedience; but it is equally true that no man enters the kingdom who is not obedient." - D.A. Carson

Some concluding thoughts:

- The most important thing isn't what we say about Jesus. It's what Jesus says about us.
- Do you know that you know that you know that if you died today, you would spend eternity in heaven?
 (2 Corinthians 13:5; 2 Peter 1:10-11)

APPLICATION QUESTIONS:

- 1. What is your testimony of salvation? Do you "know that you know" that you are saved? How do you know?
- What is the difference between examining your salvation (2 Corinthians 13:5; 2 Peter 1:10) and doubting your salvation? Why is it healthy to examine our salvation?
- 3. What Scriptural examples are there of people who claimed to know/follow Jesus but didn't? How do we know they didn't really know Jesus as Lord?