

Christ Apostolic Miracle Ministry Sunday School

Topic: Confess the LORD before men – Part 1

Bible Reading: Matthew 10:27-33

Introduction

The world has turned upside down; due to lack of the fear of God and lack of confession of the Lord. The situation of the world is precarious; because countless people refused to confess Jesus as the Lord. Humans must realize that confession of the Lord is not optional; but indispensable to their survival. You must confess the Lord; in order to install fear in the darkness, and be protected from the contrary spirits. It is a necessity to confess the Lord; if you do not want your efforts to be in vain, and your works to get burnt spiritually in heaven. Confession of the Lord will make God to be delighted in you, and also proves that you are not selfish. Humanity needs to realize that confession of the Lord is essential to our existence more than the basic necessities of life. You will witness the physical demonstration of the awesome power of God today; if you confess the Lord Jesus Christ.

Nowadays, mankind prefers darkness to light, and the human race prefers a ride with Satan; instead of the abundance of glory from God. Inasmuch as disobedience is rampant among humanity; it makes people to continually oppose the Word of God. Today, people are rebelling against their Creator at an alarming rate on a daily basis; in a manner that leads to chaos throughout the world. You need to realize that refusal to confess the Lord will jeopardize your journey on earth. It is either you confess the Lord and be saved; or deny Him and be doomed.

Now is the time that humans should start confessing Jesus Christ as the Lord and Savior. Mankind must confess God as their Father and Maker. People should proclaim that with God all things are possible. Things that are humanly impossible are possible with God Mark 9:23. Every living soul should declare that our God is

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Omnipotent and Omnipresent. They should confess that Jesus Christ is the Son of God and the Redeemer of the world. They should also admit that this present world is in existence, because of the sacrifice made by the Lord Jesus Christ on the Cross. Therefore, all the faithful people should declare the name of our heavenly Father to the leaders and the rulers of the Nations. It is our responsibility to publicly announce the name of Jesus Christ the Messiah to the whole world, and praise Him at every occasion. The Believers must confess the Lord and give testimony of what He has done for them; in order to encourage the unbelievers.

Anyone who refuses to confess Jesus Christ from whom and by whom everything exists is doing himself or herself a great disservice. Whoever fails to consider the pains of Christ, and the death on the Cross is an illegitimate child, and such a person can not enter the kingdom of heaven. Inasmuch as God created everything through Jesus Christ and nothing was created except through Him; then your confession of the Lord is your 'boarding pass,' to the eternal kingdom of God; according to the Book of John which says, "All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made." John 1:3. Are you among those who think that they do not need Christ to survive? Do you think that since you are a Christian, you do not need to confess Christ anymore?

Confess our Supreme Religious Leader: It is inevitable for the Beloved, to confess and admit that Jesus Christ is the Supreme Religious Leader of our Christian Faith. Those who are consecrated and share in the heavenly calling must thoughtfully consider Jesus Christ; the Chief High Priest whom they confessed when they embraced Christianity. **Whoever belongs to God must be focused on Christ; according to his/her confession that He was the Prime Apostle of God; according to the scripture which says, "Therefore, holy brethren, partakers of the heavenly calling, consider the Apostle and High Priest of our confession, Christ Jesus." Hebrews 3:1. **Have you ceased confessing Christ publicly? Do you realize that Jesus is****

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the centerpiece of everything you believe? Do you know that celestial calling requires the confession of Christ? You must not trivialize the issue of proclaiming Jesus Christ as the Messiah, if you want God to be gracious to you.

Therefore, anyone who confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh belongs to God. Brethren, do not trust every spirit, but test them to discover whether they come from God or not. Inasmuch as the world is full of contrary spirits and false prophets; you need to test them in order to identify the Spirit of God. The best way to recognize the Spirit of God is the following: when a teacher/prophet claims inspiration from the Spirit, if such a person acknowledges that Christ came to earth as a human; then the Spirit is from God. As it is written, "By this you know the Spirit of God: every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God." 1 John 4:2.

Are you confessing openly your faith in Jesus? Do you know the Spirit that is controlling your Church? When was the last time that you confessed Jesus Christ openly? Do you know that your confession and declaration can win souls into the kingdom of God? Do you realize that you will be united with God; if you proclaim Jesus is the Son of God? You must acknowledge that Jesus Christ is the Son of God; before God can abide in you. If you want to continuously participate in an intimate relationship with God; then you must confess that Christ is the Son of God; according to the Bible passage which says, "Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him and he in God." 1 John 4:15. **Is your confession genuine or not? Are you ready to confess the Lord today when you still have the chance?**

Confess and be saved: Mankind should constantly keep in mind Jesus Christ as the center of everything and a man of human ancestry; who was raised from the dead according to the Gospel. So, meditate on Jesus the Messiah throughout your existence and you will be saved. The Book of Timothy chronicled this statement by

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saying “Remember that Jesus Christ of the seed of David, was raised from the dead according to my gospel.” **2 Timothy 2:8. Anyone who refuses to keep his/her attention on Jesus Christ is on the path to destruction and such a person may end his/her journey in hell.**

Hence, it is inevitable for everyone who desires to be saved to confess with his/her mouth that Jesus is Lord; by recognizing His power, authority and majesty as God. You must confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord, and in your heart believe that God raised Him from the dead, before you can be saved. Only the people who openly admit that Jesus is the Lord and in their hearts; adhere to and rely on the truth that God raised Him from the dead, that will be saved. The Book of Romans corroborated this fact by saying, “That if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.” **Romans 10:9.**

Are you reluctant to confess the Lord as your Savior; because of the fear of being ostracized? Do you have faith that your confession will save you? Do you trust in your heart that Christ was raised from the dead? Inasmuch as God justifies people by their faith in Him, and they are saved by their confession of the Lord. If you believe with your heart in Christ as Savior; it will result in your justification, and if you confess Jesus as the Lord with your mouth, it will grant salvation to you; according to the Bible passage which says, “For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.” **Romans 10:10.**

Since both your heart and mouth are the necessary tools for you to be saved; you must neither defile nor misuse your heart; but openly declare your faith in the Lord. For this reason, every tongue must confess and openly agree that Jesus Christ is the Lord. As it is written; “That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth, that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is the Lord, to the glory of God the Father.” **Philippians 2:10-11.** **When was the last**

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time that you openly proclaim Jesus as the Lord? Do you know that you are the peril of hell; if you refuse to confess Jesus as your Lord? We pray that each and every one of us will be admitted into the kingdom of heaven. Amen.

Confess the Lord and reign forever: The best thing that can happen to anyone is to be recognized by the heavens. So people who acknowledge Christ before men; as the Lord and Savior will be acknowledged before His heavenly Father. Jesus Christ will tell His Father that you are one of His disciples; if you declare publicly that you belong to Him. If you are not ashamed of Christ; but openly profess that you believe in Him; He Himself will confess you before His Father in heaven. However, if you disown Him before men, then He too will disown you before His Father. Inasmuch as you are in this world you must stand up for Jesus against world opinion; so that He too will stand up for you before His Father in heaven; but if you turn tail and run, He too will not cover for you in the presence of His Father; according to the Book of Matthew which says, "Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven." Matthew 10:32.

Since 'one good turn deserves another,' if you acknowledge Christ on earth; you will be acknowledged in heaven. If you affirm a state of oneness with Jesus in this world; you will be united with Him and reign eternally in heaven. You will not be among those that are rejected by the heavens, and Christ will not ask you to get away from Him; if you confess Him throughout your lifetime; according to the scripture which says "But He will say, 'I tell you I do not know you, where you are from. Depart from me all you workers of iniquity.'" Luke 13:27.

Is your conduct glorifying God? Do you know that you will be glorified and live perpetually if you confess the Lord Jesus Christ? John the Baptist admitted the truth and did not conceal it, but acknowledged that He is not the Christ the Messiah of the world.

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Therefore, the people who are falsely claiming to be gods; or the Savior of the world should quickly repent, and admit that they are humans (dust) and not Christ the Anointed of God. These people should stop twisting the truth and misleading the world; but come clean before it is too late. They should emulate John the Baptist before the judgment of God comes upon them; The Bible testified to this fact by saying, "He confessed and did not deny, but confessed, 'I am not the Christ.'" John 1:20.

Are people blaspheming the Lord through you? You must repent, rectify your ways, and confess Jesus Christ who baptizes with fire. Do not be deceived by your position, or wealth, or success; you must declare publicly that Christ is your Lord and Savior, and you are insignificant and incomparable to Him; in order to be glorified; according to the testimony of John the Baptist which says, "I indeed baptize you with water into repentance, but He who is coming after me is mightier than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." Matthew 3:11.

Do not procrastinate; but confess the Lord today, and be glorified. Do you know that you will be successful in this world, and inherit the kingdom of heaven; if you confess the Lord? Apostle Peter confessed when he was asked by the Lord that Jesus is the Christ, the Messiah of the world, and the Son of the living God. **This confession and other good works made Peter to be admitted into the Glorious Home Matthew 16:13-16. You too can live forever in heaven, and your days will be prolonged in this world; if you begin to confess the Lord as your God and Savior.**

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Topic: Confess the LORD before men – Part 2

Bible Reading: Matthew 10:27-33

Be cautious at this end time

Humans need to be cautious at this period; because we are at the end time. **Since the end of age is a perilous and delicate period; mankind needs to confess Jesus as the Lord, and move closer to Almighty God our Maker.** We are currently at the period that precedes the second coming of Jesus Christ, the Son of Man as the Righteous Judge. **Now is the time for you to confess Jesus to the world; so that whenever He returns, you will be justified. Those who refuse to confess the Lord should not deceive themselves that they will be saved; because they will be judged severely for their disobedience: while the obedient people who confess the Lord, and have faith in God alone will be saved. Do you think that you will be justified when the Lord returns? If not, do not procrastinate; but change immediately, and turn to the Lord.**

Satan is on rampage: Satan is presently going back and forth; throughout the world, to deceive and mislead people. The Devil is currently using humans who surrender themselves to him against the Almighty God their Creator. Do not be a statistic; because the Devil is gallivanting around planting his agents among the Beloved; in order to delude and corrupt them. However, the agents of Satan will be burnt in hell fire at the end of age. Therefore, you need to resist the Devil, and confess Jesus; so that you will not end your journey in hell.

Jesus Christ elaborated this issue, in the parable of the tares, by saying, "The enemy who sowed them is the devil, the harvest is the end of the age, and the reapers are the angels. Therefore, as the tares are gathered and burned in the fire, so it will be at the end of this age."
Matthew 13:39-40. Make the right choice today; by confessing Jesus as your Lord and Savior before it is too late. We pray that

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you will not end your journey in Satan's camp.

Inasmuch as the return of Jesus Christ is near; we must not test, or try the patience of the Lord. We must not question the purpose of the Lord; or critically appraise Him and exploit His goodness; as some people did and they were killed by snakes; according to the scripture which says, "Nor let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed by serpents." 1 Corinthians 10:9. Have you become a trial to the Lord? You must not put the Lord to test; by refusing to confess Him as the Messiah. It is time to confess Christ as the Lord; in order to be saved.

Beware of the Antichrists

Nowadays, most people are not acting according to the instructions of the Lord; instead, they are practicing lusts and gratifying the desires which are the characteristics of the Devil. Honest people are rare, and trustworthy people are scarce in the world; because people around the globe are against the truth, and they do not uphold the truth. **Countless people are natural liars and deceivers, who hate the truth.** Jesus Christ explained this scenario by saying, "You are of your father the devil, and the desires of your father you want to do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and does not stand in the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he speaks from his own resources, for he is a liar and the father of it." **John 8:44**. We can deduce from the passage that the liars and the deceivers belong to the Devil, and whoever belongs to Satan is an enemy of our Lord Jesus Christ, and such a person is an antichrist.

The deception of end time: The end of age is close, and there are many antichrists in this world; they are the false teachers, false prophets, and the false preachers. The appearance of these aforementioned groups of people signified that we are at the end time. **Though, the belief of many is that there is only one antichrist; the one who will oppose Christ and attempt to replace**

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Him; however, the Bible clarifies it that whoever that is against Christ is an antichrist; according to the Book of John which says, “Little children, it is the last hour; and as you have heard that the Antichrist is coming, even now many antichrists have come, by which we know that it is the last hour.” **1 John 2:18.** **Are you for Christ or you are against Him? Are you one of the enemies of Christ? If you are a deceiver, or a liar, then you are an antichrist.**

Anyone who refuses to confess that Jesus Christ is the Messiah, and those who deny that Jesus is the Lord and the Anointed of God; are liars, and such people are the antichrists. Whoever antagonizes Jesus is an antichrist. At this junction, we need to mention that every antichrist is an enemy of Christ who refuses to acknowledge the heavenly Father and Jesus Christ His Son. As it is written, “Who is a liar but he who denies that Jesus is the Christ? He is antichrist who denies the Father and the Son.” 1 John 2:22. **Are you among those who are rejecting the Father and the Son? Do you think that the antichrists will inherit the kingdom of heaven? Do you think it is possible for you to be admitted into the Glorious Home, after denying the Father and the Son? Since you have limited time, confess today; in order to prevent the peril of hell.**

Beware of deceivers who can delude you: Be cautious, else you will be deluded. The antichrists may trick you, and cause you to hold on to a false belief. They can fool you and impose a misleading belief upon you. Beware of imposters who are parading themselves everywhere in the world as teachers and religious leaders. They are deceivers and antichrists; because they do not confess Jesus as the Lord. The mission of the false preachers, who are the enemies of Christ, is to seduce and mislead the populace worldwide. Do not be fooled by the fake prophets, who failed to admit that Jesus came as human; because they are antichrists. The Bible corroborated the fact by saying, “For many deceivers have gone out into the world who do not confess Jesus Christ as coming in flesh. This is a deceiver and an antichrist.” 2 John 1:7. **Anyone who denies that Jesus came in the human body is an**

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antichrist; immaterial of the post/position of such a person in the church or the community. Any teaching that does not acknowledge and disclose that Jesus is the Lord is from the enemies of Christ.

Hence, every spirit that does not acknowledge that Christ came in flesh does not proceed from God. Only the spirit of antichrist will deny that Jesus came to this world in human form. You must beware of the spirit of the antichrist that is already in this world. When someone doesn't confess Jesus as the Lord or admit that he came to save the world; it means that person has an antichrist spirit. Any non-confession of Jesus Christ as the Messiah signifies the spirit of antichrist; according to the scripture which says, "And every spirit that does not confess that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is not of God. And this is the spirit of the Antichrist, which you have heard was coming, and is now already in the world." **1 John 4:3.** **Do you have the Spirit of God, or that of the enemy of Christ? Do not be deceived; if those who claim to be teachers, preachers and prophets fail to acknowledge the truth about Jesus Christ; then such people have the spirit of antichrist. You can prove that you have the spirit from God by publicly confessing your faith in Jesus Christ.**

Hold fast to your confession: Humans, hear the word of authority from heaven, and proclaim the strength of the Lord. Let everyone observe what the Lord has done and declare His mighty power throughout this terrestrial ball. It is the duty of the Christians to confess the awesome power of God to the Nations of the world. The Book of Isaiah testified to this fact by saying, "Hear, you who are afar off, what I have done; and you who are near, acknowledge My might." **Isaiah 33:13.** **Therefore, we need to declare His awesome deeds to mankind, and give Him due recognition in whatever we are doing. Humans must acknowledge the existence of Almighty God, the Supreme Being, throughout their journeys on earth.**

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It is inevitable for people to recognize how nice and kind the Ancient of Days is to those who believe in Him. They need to know how important it is to acknowledge the Lord in everything we are doing; in order to be successful. The Lord will remove the obstacles that are blocking your spiritual path; if you acknowledge Him in whatever you do. If you remember the Lord in everything you do; He will show you the right way and give you prosperity. The Book of Proverbs confirmed this fact by saying, “In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He shall direct your paths.” Proverbs 3:6. **Seek the will of the Lord, and He will straighten your path. The Lord will clear the spiritual road for you to follow, and you will neither stumble nor fall; if you always allow Him to lead you, and control your life.**

For this reason, hold on to your confession of faith in Christ, and cling tenaciously to your absolute trust in Him as your Savior. Inasmuch as Jesus Christ is making intercession in heaven on your behalf; it is essential for you to hold firmly the confession of your faith; according to the Bible passage which says, “Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.” Hebrews 4:14. Do not forget your profession; but hold on tightly to your declaration of faith in Christ and you will be saved. You will not be disappointed if you hold fast and retain without wavering the confession of your hope concerning Jesus Christ; because Almighty God that promised is reliable and trustworthy. Inasmuch as God is faithful and He can be trusted to keep His promise; then keep the hope that you profess concerning Christ alive.

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Topic: Confess the LORD before men – Part 3

Bible Reading: Matthew 10:27-33

Nothing must make you to deny the Lord

Whatever your circumstance, and however severe your situation; you must not deny the Lord, else you will be denied by the heavens. Nothing that you are passing through must make you to deny your Savior. Many wealthy people who are comfortable are not confessing the name of the Lord; because they possess most of their heart desires. Numerous distinguished people are rejecting the Lord; because they think that all their achievements are due to their efforts and smartness.

Nowadays, most of the influential figures in the world do not have time for the Lord, or pay attention to Him; because they think that they do not need the Lord to survive in this world. Do not be deceived; you need the Lord to be saved in this sinful world, and inherit the kingdom of heaven, when you transition from this world. Even if you have abundance of everything on this planet; you must not deny but confess the Lord, in order to be saved. Do not deny the Lord because of wealth, or riches, or sound health, or work, or children, or spouse or parents or siblings or ambitions, or aspirations; because these aforementioned things are incomparable to the glory that awaits you in heaven.

If you deny the Lord you will be denied: Since most things in this world are vanity; then nothing in this terrestrial ball is worth denying the Lord. Someone through the inspiration of the Holy Spirit asked the Lord to keep him from lying and being dishonest, but provide him enough to cater for, and satisfy his needs; so that he will not be full, and deny the Lord. The Book of Proverbs chronicled his statements by saying, “Remove falsehood and lies far from me; give me neither poverty nor riches—feed me with the food allotted to me; lest I be full and deny You, and say, ‘Who is the Lord?’

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Or lest I be poor and steal, and profane the name of my God.”

Proverbs 30: 8-9.

Is your abundance making you to oppose God? Are you challenging the existence of God in any way? Do you refuse to admit the truth because of your post/position? Is your work or office making you to dishonor the name of God? Are you misusing the sacred name of God? Are people glorifying God through you, or insulting His holy name? Are you disgracing the name of God, or you are confessing it?

Remember that you must never disown the Lord, but confess Him; because if you disown Christ, He will also disown you. If you persevere, you will certainly rule with Him eternally in heaven. Whatever that you are passing through, do not give up; but continue to endure, so that you will be glorified with Christ. Whatever the circumstance, you must never renounce the Lord; but confess him at all time, else you will be renounced in heaven; according to the Book of Timothy which says, “If we endure, we shall also reign with Him. If we deny Him, He also will deny us” 2 Timothy 2:12. Are you ready to endure hardship for Christ’s sake? Are you prepared to unite with Christ in His sufferings? Do you know that if you die for the Words of Christ; you will live perpetually with Him? You must neither reject nor disregard the Lord; else you also will be rejected and disregarded.

Therefore, whoever rejects Christ publicly; will be rejected in the presence of His Father in heaven. Anyone who disowns Jesus Christ before men will be disowned in heaven; according to the scripture which says, “But whoever denies Me before men; him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.” Matthew 10:33. Do not forget that if you do not stand up for Christ against world opinion, but you turn tail and run; then He too will not cover for you in the presence of His Father. We pray that you will neither be denied, nor disowned before the Lord God, in Jesus name. Amen.

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You cannot confess both the Lord and Satan: Humans cannot serve God and the materialistic things of this world. So, it is impossible for anyone to confess both the Lord and Satan at the same time. Since ‘You cannot have your cake and eat it.’ It means you have to make a choice between the Lord and Satan. It is either you will confess the Lord and deny Satan; or you will confess Satan and deny the Lord; but we pray that you will make the right choice. In addition, ‘You cannot sit on the fence’ which means you cannot delay making your decision; therefore, you have to decide whose side you are.

It is either you are for the Lord and against Satan; or you are for Satan and against the Lord. However, if you confess Christ; you will be saved, and if you deny Him, you will be denied. The Book of Luke corroborated this fact by saying; “No servant can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or else he will be loyal to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon.” **Luke 16:13, Matthew 6:24.** **Since you cannot confess both the Lord and Satan at the same time; why not confess the Lord and put Satan to shame?**

For this reason, do not learn the way of the unbelievers; else you will get into trouble with the heavens. You must not practice the customs of the Gentiles; but set yourself apart for the Lord. You must not live like the corrupt people; instead, you must sanctify yourself for the Lord. Immaterial of their position in this world; you must never make the godless people your role models, and do not be impressed by their glamor, glitz, and whatever they have to offer.

Therefore, do not act like the unbelievers; instead act like a Beloved throughout your existence; so that God will be delighted in you. The Book of Jeremiah affirmed this statement by saying, “Thus says the Lord: ‘Do not learn the way of the Gentiles; do not be dismayed at the signs of heaven. For the Gentiles are dismayed at them.’” **Jeremiah 10:2.** **Do not forget that your lifestyle must reflect your confession concerning Christ; before you can be saved. God**

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will be pleased with you; if you do not practice the customs of the Gentiles, or encourage them, or support them financially or morally.

Going to Church does not mean confession of Christ: Many people believe that once they are going to church, and they are attending church services regularly; it signifies that they have confessed Jesus Christ. Such people are only deceiving themselves; because it is their acts and conducts that will prove, if they actually confess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior; rather than merely saying 'Bless you' or 'Amen' or 'Hallelujah.'

Being a follower of Christ, called a Christian, does not imply your confession of Jesus; because most of the Christians of today are 'Lip service Christians.' Their allegiance to God was expressed only in words; but not backed by deeds. These people are making insincere verbal expressions of loyalty and obedience to God. Whatever promise or agreement made with God, is not supported by real action or conviction; which means they are hypocrites.

Isaiah prophesied about these people by saying, "Therefore the Lord said: 'Inasmuch as these people draw near with their mouths and honor Me with their lips, but have removed their hearts far from Me, and their fear towards Me is taught by the commandment of men.'" **Isaiah 29:13.** **Are you one of those who make a big show of saying the right thing, with no action to back it up? Do you think that you can deceive God with your lip service? Don't you think that God knows that the honor you bestow on Him is mere lip-service? It is time to change your attitudes towards God; in order to be admitted into the Glorious Home.**

The confession of the hypocrites is unacceptable: The people who confess to be acquainted with God; but disown Him by what they do are hypocrites. The confessions of these hypocrites are unacceptable to the Lord. Such people claim to know God; but their action is proving otherwise. These people claim to be

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Christians; but their works are not in conformity with the teachings of the Bible. These hypocrites profess to recognize God; but their acts are in conflict with their claim. The Book of Titus testified to this fact by saying, “They profess to know God, but in works they deny Him, being abominable, disobedient and disqualified for every good work.” **Titus 1:16. Are you denying the Lord by the way you live? Don’t you think that your actions show that you do not accept the Lord? Change before it is too late.**

Being a Christian is not enough, but you have to be a practicing Christians (a born-again Christian) before your confession can be acceptable to God. Most of these hypocrites are exhibiting piety; but their acts are denying the power of God. Most of them always make a show of being religious; but their conduct contradicts the genuineness of their profession. They usually appear devoted to God; but behind the scenes they are wolves in sheep’s clothing. They always act like godly people; but they will reject the power that can make them godly. They will do things to make it look as if they are Christians; but they will refuse to receive the power that is for every Christian.

Their physical appearance is like that of saints; but their behavior nullifies their claim of faith. Majority of these hypocrites will act as if they serve God; but they will reject its real power. The hypocrites always maintain a façade of ‘religion’ but their conduct will deny its validity; so stay away from such people; according to the Bible passage which says, “Having a form of godliness but deny its power. And from such people turn away!” **2 Timothy 3:5. Are you among those rejecting the power that can make them godly? Have you ever turned your back on God’s power?**

The hypocrites are destined for hell: These hypocrites are destined for hell, unless they quickly repent; because they worship their stomachs and brag about the disgusting things they do. All they can think about is the perishable things of this world. If you don’t want to be doomed; worldly appetite and vanity must

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not be your priority; also you must not focus your mind on earthly and temporal things; else your glory will turn to shame. If you do not want to end your journey in Satan's camp; you must not submit to the lustful and sinful things that your body wants, and you must not be proud of your shameful acts; but repent. Once more, you must realize that the hypocrites are on the path of destruction; because their god is their appetite and they think only about this life on earth.

The scripture warned by saying, "Whose end is destruction, whose god is their belly, and whose glory is in their shame—who set their mind on earthly things." **Philippians 3:19. Is your sensuality your god? Do you take pride in your disgrace? Are you proud of what you ought to be ashamed of? Have you replaced God with your lustful and sinful desires? If the answer to all the aforementioned questions is yes; then, you are a hypocrite, and you need to repent quickly; before it is too late.**

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Bible Reading: Matthew 10:27-33

It is time to confess and glorify the Lord

Everything created by God must give glory to the Lord who made and preserve them till this moment. Both the living and the non-living things must glorify their Maker with the resources available to them. Whoever does not confess and glorify the Lord is an ingrate; and such a person does not have any portion in the Lord. Therefore, if humans think deeply, they will realize that it is better to confess the Lord rather than the idols/deities. Mankind must admit that God created them purposely to confess His awesome power, and glorify Him throughout their lifetime.

The heavens confess the glory of God: The heavens ceaselessly narrate the majestic glory of Almighty God. They persistently recount the endless glory of the Creator of the whole universe; while the skies announce what His powerful hands have made. The heavens keep telling the wonders of our Maker, and the expanse declare the works of His hands. The scripture stated that the sky clearly reveals the awesome glory of God, and it shows what the Supreme Being has done; according to the Book of Psalm which says, "The heavens declare the glory of God; and the firmament shows His handiwork." Psalm 19:1.

Are you ready to confess the glory of God? If the heavens continuously declare the glory of God, are you ready to do the same? If the firmament is revealing the handiwork of God; will it prompt you to confess His wonders? If you are a child of God; won't you proclaim His glory throughout the world? Don't you know that anyone who keeps mute concerning the wonders of God; cannot claim to confess the Lord? It is your duty to confess the glory of God to the whole world, and give testimony concerning His limitless power, at this end time.

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Inasmuch as the heavens proclaim the righteousness of God; it is inevitable for you to confess and declare His exalted glory. Time has come for you to announce throughout the world; that the Lord brings justice to mankind. Are you ready to tell everyone about the goodness of the Lord? Are you prepared to confess that you are one of those who are witnessing His presence in your life? You need to declare that the manifestation of God gives you justice and it is performing wonders in your life; according to the scripture which says, "The heavens declare His righteousness, and all the peoples see His glory." Psalm 97:6. Are you ready to confess that the Lord is just in all His ways? You need to imitate the heavens, by confessing the Lord; because your confession will save lives across the globe.

You are created to confess and glorify God: It should be noted that God created humans primarily to declare His praises. So, you are created to proclaim the praise of the Lord among the Gentiles. It is the obligation of every living soul, to always recount the praise of the Lord. The Book of Isaiah corroborated this fact by saying, "This people I have formed for Myself; they shall declare My praise." Isaiah 43:21. In what ways are you making the praise of the Lord known? Are you honoring the Lord before the whole world? When was the last time that you sang songs to praise God?

Are you proclaiming the praise of the Lord to the entire world? Do you realize that your life is preserved; in order to recount the illustrious acts of the Lord? Do you know that the Lord saved your life; so that you can live to tell what He has done? The reason why you did not die but live; is to tell the world what God has done for you. Therefore, prophesy into your life today, that 'I will not die but live, to proclaim the deeds of the Lord.' The Book of Psalms testified to this fact by saying, "I shall not die, but live, and declare the works of the Lord." Psalm 118:17. Since you are alive; are you proclaiming what the Lord has done? If not, start today.

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It is a necessity to confess and praise God: It is a necessity for every living soul to confess and praise God. You need to realize that, if you refuse to confess and glorify God; other people who are better than you will praise Him. If humans refuse to praise the Lord; then other creatures of the Lord will praise Him.

One peaceful afternoon; I sat down in our living room, and I started hearing a whistling sound. I looked around, but found nothing; then the Spirit of God told me that it was the trees that were praising the Lord; due to the blowing of the wind. Jesus also confirmed to the Pharisees, when He rode a donkey into Jerusalem; that if His followers kept silent, then the stones will continue to praise Him; according to the Book of Luke which says, "But He answered and said to them, 'I tell you that if these should keep silent, the stones would immediately cry out.'" Luke 19:40. Are you ready to start praising the Lord? Do you want to keep quiet during this period, or praise your Maker? Do you want to be replaced by the stones? If not, amend your ways.

Time has come for you to speak out, and confess the Lord. You need to know that your refusal to shout the praises of the Lord will not hinder His works; but it will be counted against you. For this reason, you must proclaim the name of the Lord wherever you are located on this planet. Tell your countrymen about the precious name of the Lord. Announce the glorious name of the Lord to everyone around you. Do not forget to praise the Lord, in the midst of the congregation of the saints; according to the Bible passage which says, "I will declare Your name to My brethren; in the midst of the assembly I will praise You." Psalms 22:22. Do you have time to praise the Lord? Do you agree and admit that praising the Lord is good for humans? Are you praising God at every meeting of worship? Are you proclaiming the praises of God openly?

Confess the wonderful works of God and declare His glory: You need to know that with or without your confession; every generation talks about the awesome deeds of God. Each

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generation announces to the next the wonderful and powerful acts of the Lord. What the Lord has done; will be praised from one generation to the next, and they will proclaim His wonderful works. It is inevitable for generation after generation to stand in awe of the miraculous deeds of the Lord, and each one will tell stories of His mighty acts. The Bible confirmed this fact by saying, “One generation shall praise Your works to another, and shall declare Your works to another, and shall declare Your mighty acts.” **Psalm 145:4.** Are you among those who are declaring the mighty acts of the Lord? Are you telling your Brethren and family about the wondrous deeds of the Lord? In what manner are you confessing and proclaiming His awesome power? Today is the day to start confessing and celebrating the great works of the Lord.

Therefore, it is your duty to proclaim the endless glory of the Lord throughout the world. **You must confess His marvelous deeds across the globe and take the news of His awesome glory to the lost souls.** Believers, tell every nation on earth that ‘The Lord is wonderful and does marvelous things.’ Do not stop/cease; but continue to confess the magnificent deeds that the Lord has performed, and make His holy name famous among the nations of the world. Take the message of His awesome glory and miracles to every nation; by telling them all the amazing things the Lord has done. The Book of Psalms attested to this fact by saying, “Declare His glory among the nations, His wonders among all peoples.” **Psalm 96:3.** Are you confessing the greatness of the Lord among the nations? When is the last time that you give testimony about the marvelous deeds of the Lord?

For this reason, every living soul must speak of the power of the tremendous acts of the Lord with gratitude. Humans should proclaim the power of the awesome deeds of the Lord, and declare His great accomplishments on earth. **Christians should tell the nations of the world about the amazing things the Lord has done, and those that He is currently doing; by recounting how great the Lord is.** The awe-inspiring deeds of the Lord should be on every

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tongue from one generation to another, and people should proclaim the greatness of the Lord on a daily basis. The scripture affirmed this fact by saying, “Men shall speak of the might of Your awesome acts, and I will declare your greatness.” **Psalm 145:6.** **Are you confessing the mighty deeds of the Lord? Do you know that you must proclaim the awesomeness of God? Don't you know that you are supposed to speak about the amazing things that the Lord is doing with submissive wonder? We pray that you will not forget to confess the Lord, when you still have the opportunity. Amen.**

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Topic: Confess the LORD before men – Part 5

Bible Reading: Matthew 10:27-33

Demonstrate that your confession is genuine

It is important for those who claim to confess the Lord as their Savior to demonstrate the genuineness of their profession. **If you fail to praise and honor the Lord wherever you are; then your confession is a sham. One of the best ways to exhibit your confession is to praise the glorious name of God from sunrise to sunset. The name of the Lord is supposed to be honored by humans from morning till night. The instruction of Jehovah is that from dawn until dusk, His name must be praised by every nation on this earth; all around the world people must offer incense and offerings in honor of His awesome name.**

How many nations of the world are praising God as directed? How many countries acknowledge the existence of God? Is your country honoring or disgracing God? It is the duty of the children of God; who confessed Christ as their Lord and Savior from one end of the world to the other; to honor their Maker. As it is written “ ‘For from the rising of the Sun, even to its going down, My name shall be great among the Gentiles; in every place incense shall be offered to My name, and a pure offering; For My name shall be great among the nations’, says the Lord of hosts.” Malachi 1:11. Do you think that the leaders of your country have time for God and reverence for Him? It is essential that from the east to the west; people should confess the blessed name of Almighty God among the nations, throughout the world.

Your confession is not authentic if: The confession of anyone; whose conduct makes the name of God to be discredited by the Gentiles is not real. **If the name of Almighty God is maligned through you; then it signifies that your confession is not authentic. Your confession is a fake; unless your acts did not make the unbelievers to defame**

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God through you. If people say insulting things about God due to your attitudes; then your confession is not genuine. To demonstrate that your confession is true; people must not blaspheme the mighty name of God through you.

Unless you are obedient, and appreciate moral values as a spiritual light; by guiding those who do not know the right way, your confession is a fake. If you refuse to assist the less privileged, and those who are groping in the dark; your confession is not authentic; according to the Book of Romans which says, “For ‘the name of God is blasphemed among the Gentiles because of you’ as it is written.” Romans 2:24. Unless you abstain from your nefarious activities your confession is unacceptable to the Lord. Make sure that humans do not smear, or slander the benevolent name of God through you; else your confession is counterfeit.

People need to depart from vices; in order for the heavens to consider their confession as real. Those who are engaged in immoral and sinful activities cannot claim that their confession is genuine. Any wicked or corrupt person who thinks that his/her confession is authentic; because of his/her donations or offerings, together with his/her charitable deeds, is deceiving himself/herself. If you refuse to refrain from practicing abominable and criminal things; then you cannot inherit the kingdom of heaven; immaterial of your post/position in the church.

Inasmuch as you cannot remain in sin, and expect the grace of God to multiply in your life; flee from sin, and your confession will be acceptable to the heavens; according to the scripture which says, “What shall we say then? Shall we continue in sin that grace may abound?” Romans 6:1. You must abstain from your depraved and perverted habits before your confession can be considered as genuine.

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Your confession is fake if you test or tempt God: The people who are daring, or tempting God cannot declare that their confession is genuine. Inasmuch as the Bible warned that humans must not tempt God; so whoever tempts God will face the consequences. The children of Israel contended and tempted the Lord at Massah and Meribah; saying 'Is the Lord among us or not' **Exodus 17:7.** The children of Israel were penalized for their action; therefore, do not tempt God, according to the message of Moses which says, "You shall not tempt the Lord your God as you tempt Him in Massah." **Deuteronomy 6:16.** Jesus Christ also sounded the alarm by saying to Satan that; "It is written again, 'You shall not tempt the Lord your God.'" **Matthew 4:7.** **Whatever your circumstance, you must not test, defy, or tempt the Lord your God; else you will be penalized, and your confession will be rubbish.**

Demonstrate your confession through thanks and praises: It is good for people to exhibit that their confession is genuine; by thanking and praising the Lord at every occasion. You can show that your confession is authentic; by thanking and magnifying the Lord God in whatever that you are doing. Do not forget that anyone who refuses to thank the Lord is an ingrate, and the confession of such a person is a fake.

Therefore, thank and extol the Lord wherever you are living on this planet. Honor the Lord among the nations of the world, and never forget to sing praises to His glorious name; according to the Book of Psalms which says, "Therefore I will give thanks to You, O Lord, among the Gentiles, and sing praises to Your name." **Psalms 18:49.** **When was the last time that you extol the Lord? Are you showing appreciation to Him? If not, start thanking Him on a daily basis for what He has done for you.**

Hence, it is essential for mankind to glorify God, and announce His praises everywhere. People should thank the Lord, and proclaim His praises throughout the four corners of the world. Anyone who intends to prove that his/her confession is genuine

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must give thanks to God, make His glory resound, and echo His praises from coast to coast; according to the Book of Isaiah which says, “Let them give glory to the Lord, and declare His praise in the coastlands.” **Isaiah 42:12**. **Are you ready to glorify the Lord, even if others refuse to give Him glory? Do you know that you may be replaced by stones if you refuse to thank and confess the Lord? Do not procrastinate, but begin to thank and praise the Lord today; in order to prove that your confession is real.**

Finally, the Believers must hold fast to their confession of faith; inasmuch as they have a great High Priest Jesus Christ who has ascended and passed through the heavens. Christians must hold firmly to the faith they profess, and what they acknowledge as true; since Jesus Christ has ascended to heaven, and He is currently making intercession on their behalf. The Book of Hebrews attested to this fact by saying, “Seeing then that we have a great High Priest who has passed through the heavens Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession.” **Hebrews 4:14**. **You must hold firmly to what you believe, and keep your trust in Jesus Christ; in order to have access to the kingdom of heaven.**

For this reason, people should hold tightly, and retain without wavering the hope they cherish and confess; because the Lord who promised is reliable and faithful to His word. Since God can be trusted to keep His promise; then you must hold firmly the hope that you professed; according to the Bible passage which says, “Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for He who promised is faithful.” **Hebrews 10:23**. **We pray that you will hold unswervingly to the hope you profess and affirm; because God is trustworthy.**

The Seal: Revelation 3:5: He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life; but I will confess his name before My Father and before His angels.