

Salvation - Confession

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Romans 10:10 (NKJV)

**For with the heart one believes unto
righteousness, and with the mouth
confession is made unto salvation.**

1st Confession

- *The confession of one's faith*
 - 1 Tim. 6:12 “Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, to which you were also called and have confessed the good confession in the presence of many witnesses”

What Do We Confess When We Make the “Good Confession”?

- *That Jesus is the Christ (anointed)*
 - **Matthew 16:16 (NKJV)** — 16 Simon Peter answered and said, “You are the Christ, the Son of the living God.”

What Do We Confess When We Make the “Good Confession”?

- *That Jesus is the Son of God*

- Acts 8:37 (NKJV) — 37 Then Philip said, “If you believe with all your heart, you may.” And he answered and said, “I believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of God.”

What Do We Confess When We Make the “Good Confession”?

- *That Jesus came in the flesh*
 - 1 John 4:2 (NKJV) — 2 By this you know the Spirit of God: Every spirit that confesses that Jesus Christ has come in the flesh is of God>

What Do We Confess When We Make the “Good Confession”?

- *That Jesus is Lord*

- **Romans 10:9–10 (NKJV)** — **9** that if you confess with your mouth the **Lord** Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. **10** For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation. <

When We Make the “Good Confession” it Results In

- *Rejoicing when it leads to baptism*

- Acts 8:39 (NKJV) — 39 Now when they came up out of the water, the Spirit of the Lord caught Philip away, so that the eunuch saw him no more; and he went on his way rejoicing.

When We Make the “Good Confession” it Results In

- *God abiding in us*

- 1 John 4:15 (NKJV) — 15 Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, **God abides in him, and he in God.**

2nd Confession

- *The Confession of PRIVATE sin*

- 1 John 1:9 (NKJV) — 9 **If we confess our sins,**
He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to
cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

2nd Confession

- *Must it be specific?*
 - It is best
 - Psalm 19:12 (NKJV) — 12 Who can understand his errors? Cleanse me from secret faults.

2nd Confession

- *The Confession of PUBLIC sin*
 - Example Simon (Acts 8:18-24)
 - Should be
 - A public sin of that one has repented
 - Should be specific
 - If it involves others, they must correct it with them

Results in

- *Forgiveness*

- 1 John 1:9 (NKJV) —9 If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Results in

- *Pardon*

- Psalm 32:5 (NKJV) —5 I acknowledged my sin to You, And my iniquity I have not hidden. I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,” And You forgave the iniquity of my sin. Selah

Results in

- *Renewed fellowship*

- Psalm 51:12–13 (NKJV) — 12 Restore to me the joy of Your salvation, And uphold me by Your generous Spirit. 13 Then I will teach transgressors Your ways, And sinners shall be converted to You.

3rd Confession

- *The confession of one's life*

- Matt. 10:32-33

- “Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven.
- But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven.

Results in

- *Influence*

- **Matthew 13:33 (NKJV) — 33** Another parable He spoke to them: “The kingdom of heaven is like leaven, which a woman took and hid in three measures of meal till it was all leavened.”

Conclusion

- *The rebellious: “I’ll NOT confess Him!*
- *Yes, you will!*
 - **Philippians 2:11 (NKJV) — 11** and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
- *Then it will be too late!!!*