

## ***Walking By Faith: Confessing Christ before Men*** (Matthew 10:32-33)

- What is confession?
  - \_\_\_\_\_
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- There are three aspects of confession for us to consider
  - Statement of \_\_\_\_\_ – Rom. 10:9-10
    - This is the acknowledgment that Jesus is the Christ
    - This is a step toward salvation!
    - \_\_\_\_\_ with the mouth and \_\_\_\_\_ with the heart are joined together in the life of the Christian!
  - Verbal \_\_\_\_\_ – Acts 4:1-22
    - Crippled man was healed
    - Peter and John were arrested
    - They confessed that Jesus' name is the only name by which people could be saved (12)
  - Our \_\_\_\_\_ – Jn. 12:42-43; Titus 1:16
    - John 12:42-43 - speaks of those who would not confess Jesus for \_\_\_\_\_ of the Jews!
    - Titus 1:16 –They showed their \_\_\_\_\_ despite their confessions of Jesus as Lord!
- The results of...
  - Failing to confess Christ
    - 2 Peter 2:1 – \_\_\_\_\_
    - Matthew 7:23; 10:33 – \_\_\_\_\_
  - Confessing our faith in Christ
    - James 2:18-26 – \_\_\_\_\_
    - Romans 10:9-13 – \_\_\_\_\_
    - Matthew 10:32 – \_\_\_\_\_

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## ***Studies in Revelation: Interpreting Revelation*** (Revelation 1:1-3, 9-10)

- Why should we study The Book of Revelation?
  - It is part of God's word, it is a message of hope, it gives us a glimpse of what our brothers endured and it is badly misused & misunderstood.
- Myths concerning Revelation – none of these are true!
  - It is a waste of time to study the book of Revelation.
  - It takes place far into the future
  - The antichrist is the bad guy in Revelation
  - We can't understand Revelation
- The basics of Revelation
  - Date – Late 90's AD
  - Audience – Christians in Asia minor
  - The timeframe of Revelation
    - Revelation 1:1, 19 – things that must soon come to pass
    - 1 Peter 4:12 – Peter warned the same group of Christians about imminent suffering.
  - Purpose – to address the following issues:
    - False teachers (2:6, 15), Persecution (2:10, 13), Compromise of Christians with paganism (2:14, 20-21), Spiritual laziness (3:1-3, 15-17)
  - Literary style - Apocalyptic
  - Symbolism in Revelation –
    - Colors, animals, countries, astrological events, numbers
  - Theme –
    - God is in control
    - Victory in Jesus (1 Corinthians 15:57)
- Do not lose sight of the fact that only in Christ will we have victory!

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