

He Acts on Honest Confession

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The Lord receives honest confession, delivers from the pit of hell, and grants life and light.

Scripture: Job 33:27

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Description

C.H. Spurgeon emphasizes the power of honest confession to God, highlighting that those who acknowledge their sins and seek forgiveness will be met with divine mercy and deliverance. He reassures believers that God is always ready to receive sincere confessions and that His promises of forgiveness are steadfast. Spurgeon encourages individuals to recognize their personal failings and to approach God with humility, trusting in His willingness to grant life and light in return for their honesty. He reminds us that despair and doubt have no place in the hearts of those who seek God's grace, as He does not turn away the humble. Ultimately, the sermon calls for a heartfelt plea for forgiveness, affirming that the guilty can find pardon through Jesus.

Transcript

He looketh upon men, and if any say, I have sinned, and perverted that which divides right, and it profited me not; he will deliver his soul from going into the pit, and his life shall see the light. (Job 33:27-28)

This is a word of truth, gathered from the experience of a man of God, and it is tantamount to a promise. What the Lord has done, and is doing, He will continue to do while the world standeth. The Lord will receive into His bosom all who come to Him with a sincere confession of their sin; in fact, He is always on the lookout to discover any that are in trouble because of their faults.

Can we not endorse the language here used? Have we not sinned, sinned personally so as to say, "I have sinned"? Sinned willfully, having perverted that which is right? Sinned so as to discover that there is no profit in it but an eternal loss? Let us, then, go to God with this honest acknowledgment. He asks no more. We can do no less.

Let us plead His promise in the name of Jesus. He will deliver us from the pit of hell which yawns for us; He will grant us life and light. Why should we despair? Why should we even doubt? The Lord does not mock humble souls. He means what He says. The guilty can be forgiven. Those who deserve execution can receive free pardon. Lord, we confess, and we pray Thee to forgive!

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