

Mouth Confession; Heart Belief

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Salvation is guaranteed for those who confess Jesus Christ with their mouth and believe in Him with their heart.

Scripture: Isaiah 12:2, John 3:16, Romans 10:9, Ephesians 2:8

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Description

C.H. Spurgeon emphasizes the necessity of both mouth confession and heart belief in Jesus Christ for salvation, as stated in Romans 10:9. He challenges listeners to reflect on their own faith, asking if they have openly confessed Jesus as their Savior and genuinely believe in His resurrection. Spurgeon assures that if one can affirm both, they are saved, highlighting the certainty of God's promise: 'Thou shalt be saved.' He expresses the importance of being saved from sin's guilt, power, punishment, and ultimately its very presence, celebrating the assurance of salvation through faith.

Transcript

If thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. (Romans 10:9)

There must be confession with the mouth. Have I made it? Have I openly avowed my faith in Jesus as the Savior whom God has raised from the dead, and have I done it in God's way! Let me honestly answer this question.

There must also be belief with the heart. Do I sincerely believe in the risen Lord Jesus? Do I trust in Him as my sole hope of salvation? Is this trust from my heart? Let me answer as before God.

If I can truly claim that I have both confessed Christ and believed in Him, then I am saved. The text does not say it may be so, but it is plain as a pikestaff and clear as the sun in the heavens: "Thou shalt be saved." As a believer and a confessor, I may lay my hand on this promise and plead it before the Lord God at this moment, and throughout life, and in the hour of death, and at the Day of Judgment.

I must be saved from the guilt of sin, the power of sin, the punishment of sin, and ultimately from the very being of sin. God hath said it -- "Thou shalt be saved." I believe it. I shall be saved. I am saved. Glory be to God forever and ever!

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