

Everybody a Christian

Scripture: Eph. 2:1-10

Intro: There are at least three things if people could get they would all be saved and in God's service.

1. People are incurable religious. (Jas. 1:26)
2. Powerless in godliness. (II Tim. 3:5,7)

I. Regeneration Without Repentance (Tit. 3:5)

- A. The true elements in conversion
 1. The scriptures: preaching. (Heb. 4:12; Acts 4:12; I Pet. 1:23)
 2. The Spirit: power. (I Cor. 2:4)
- B. These elements are compromised. (Mt. 7:23-23; Lk. 9:62)
 1. Repent or perish. (Lk. 13:3,5; Mt. 25:41)
 - a) reformed sinners: hope so. (Tit. 3:5; Ro. 4:5)
 - b) informed sinners: think so.
 2. Regeneration or perish. (Jn. 3:3,5,7)
 - a) come to Him. (Mt. 11:28; Jn. 6:37)
 - b) come and drink. (Rev. 22:17; Jn. 4:13-14)

II. Christianity Without Church Membership (Acts 2:41)

- A. The N.T. Church = His Body. (Mt. 16:18; I Cor. 12:13)
 1. Local = Visible manifestation (Invisible God manifested) (Acts. 2:41,42,47) Place to fellowship, pray, souls blessed, turn from cares of world.
 2. Vocal = Loyal members (Visibly obeying God) Know mind and will of God, truth, etc.
- B. The N.T. Christian = His Belief (Book). (Acts 5:32)
 1. Faithfulness = Commitment. (II Tim. 2:1-4; Eccl. 12:13-14)
 2. Fruitfulness = Commission. (Pr. 11:30; I Pet. 3:15)
 - a) testimony to sinners. (II Cor. 3:2; Ro. 9:1-3)
 - b) testimony to service. (Lk. 17:10) (Power without prayer. Learn without labor. Truth without toil)

III. Worship Without Works (Jn. 4:24; Mt. 4:10)

- A. Worship and service = Inseparable. (Lk. 4:8)
 1. Sacrifice (Ro. 12:1) = Act of worship. Being. (Ro. 6:13)
 2. Service (Ro. 12:1) = Acts of work. Doing. (Ro. 6:13)
- B. Worship and servant = Unstoppable. (Tit. 3:8,14)
 1. Idle = Fail to obey. (I Tim. 5:13; Ro. 12:11)
 2. Ideal = Faithful to obey. (I Thes. 4:11; Jn. 15:16)
 - a) obey not. (II Thes. 1:8; 3:14; I Pet. 4:17)
 - b) obey Him. (Acts 5:32; II Cor. 5:17)