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what is written in the New Testament, and then we know if we do what it says, we can know that we are saved (1 John 5:13). It's not that difficult.

When we turn to God's word, we read that all sin is against God (Genesis 39:9; 2 Samuel 12:13). We read that God must forgive our sin on his terms (Hebrews 8:12; 1 John 1:9).

We also read that God must communicate his terms of forgiveness to mankind. God's word says that we must hear the gospel (Acts 15:7; Romans 10:17), believe in Jesus (John 8:24; Hebrews 11:6), repent of our sins (Acts 2:38; 17:30), confess that Jesus is the Christ (Acts 8:37; Romans 10:9-10), be baptized for the remission of our sins (Mark 16:16; Acts 2:38; 1 Peter 3:21), and live faithfully each day (Luke 9:23,62; Romans 6:3-4).

We do not turn to others or self for important matters of this life. We turn to a fixed standard. Why turn to anyone other than God for the answer to the most important of all questions? You can know right now whether or not you are saved! Are you?

- Chris Reeves -

## Sentence Sermons

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- When God speaks, don't raise doubts in peoples' minds concerning what he said.
- We preach to save sinners. We don't build kitchens to serve dinners.
- One thing about your "wild oats" is that they will grow with, or without, fertilizer.
- Your reputation is gained by your many acts, but lost by just one.

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For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh, for the weapons of our warfare are not of the flesh, but divinely powerful for the destruction of fortresses.  
- 2 Corinthians 10:3-4 -

# How Can I Know That I Am Saved?

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There are a lot of people in the world who just live their lives from day to day and do not care about their soul's salvation from sin. They care about their job, their schooling, their house and car, their cell phone, their falling 401K, their high gas prices, their unpaid bills, etc. I just wish they would care more about their salvation.

Even if you could get people to care about their salvation, how would they know that they are really saved? One of the most important of all of life's questions is this: How can I know that I am saved?

Do I base my answer to that question on feelings, or on facts? So much today is based upon feelings that I fear that many believe themselves to be saved based upon their feelings alone. But, what are the biblical facts? That is what we should care about, right?

Jesus came to save the world from their sins, so the question of salvation really is the most important question of all time (Luke 5:32; 19:10). As I just said, some people are not concerned about the question at all. They believe there are more important things to be concerned about.

Others are concerned about their salvation, but they are doubtful that they can be saved or how to be saved. Many are concerned about their salvation, but are misled. They have been taught error on the subject. However, all people can be concerned about their salvation and with certainty that comes from God's word.

In the Bible, no lost person ever turned to other lost persons to answer the question of how to be saved. In the Bible, no lost person ever turned to himself for the answer to this question. In the Bible, lost persons always turned to those who delivered God's word to get the right answer to the salvation question (Numbers 21:7-8; John 3:1-5). This, of course, is what we need to do today.

How can I know that I am saved? Not by turning to others for the answer. We do not turn to:

- The commandments of men (Colossians 2:16ff).
- Religious traditions of men (Matthew 15:1-9,14).
- Messages other than the gospel (Galatians 1:6-9).
- The majority (Matthew 7:13-14).

- Our parents (Matthew 10:37).

How can I know that I am saved? Not by turning to self for the answer. We do not turn to:

- Living a good life only (Acts 8:26ff; 10:1ff).
- Honesty, feelings, or personal conscience (Acts 9:1-2; 22:19-20,16; 26:9; Proverbs 14:12; 28:26; 2 Kings 5; Jeremiah 10:23).
- Past good deeds (Matthew 19:16-21; Luke 18:11-13).
- A personal plan of salvation (Romans 10:3; Titus 3:5).

How can I know that I am saved? I can know that I am saved by turning to God's word for the answer. Salvation is always connected with God's word. That is, God's word always tells us what to do to be saved (Acts 2:37; 8:12,35; 11:14; 16:14,32; 17:11-12; 18:8; Romans 10:17; 1 Corinthians 1:18; Jas. 1:21).

What the Holy Spirit says in the New Testament bears witness with our spirit or mind (Romans 8:16). So, how does that work? Well, we read