

QUESTIONS FOR ADDITIONAL STUDY

1. Describe a when you thought you were right about a matter, but later found out you were wrong. What did you learn from the incident?

2. What are some of the ways people depend on a false hope of getting into heaven after they die?

3. Read the following verses and note what the Bible says about self-deception:

- a) Jeremiah 7:9-11
- b) Jeremiah 17:10
- c) Obadiah 1:3
- d) I Corinthians 6:9-10
- e) James 1:22
- f) I John 1:8
- g) Revelation 3:7

4. Are good works or good theology proof that a person is a believer? Why or why not?

5. What practical application are you going to make from this week's message? (*Share your decision with someone.*)

- I am going to examine my personal relationship with the Lord. (II Corinthians 13:5)
- I am going to reach out to a person I know who professes to be a Christian but shows no evidence of it.
- I am going to memorize James 1:22.

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Matthew 7:21-23
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The Sermon on the Mount A Warning Against Self-Deception

I. Introduction

A. The Sermon on the Mount

(See Acts 20:20; Acts 20:31; Amos 8:11-12; Revelation 3:17-19; Matthew 3:5-12; Matthew 5:20-24; I John 3:15; Matthew 5:27-30)

B. The Warning of Jesus

(See Mathew 7:21-23; Hebrews 9:27)

C. The Danger of Self-Deception

(See Luke 21:8; I Corinthians 15:33; II Corinthians 11:3;
Galatians 6:7; James 1:16; Matthew 7:21)

II. The Self-Deceived Person

A. The self-deceived person believes in a salvation based on their WORDS.

(See Matthew 7:21; Luke 6:46; Luke 9:57-62)

B. The self-deceived person does not live an OBEDIENT LIFE.

(See Matthew 7:21; Philippians 1:6; James 1:22;
Titus 1:16; I John 2:3; I Corinthians 6:9-10;
Galatians 5:19-21; II Corinthians 13:5; Hebrews 12:1;
Luke 4:1-13; Philippians 3:13; Romans 8:29)

C. The self-deceived person believes in a salvation based on their WORKS.

(See Matthew 7:22; Exodus 7:12; II Timothy 3:8;
II Thessalonians 2:9; John 6:70; John 17:12; Titus 3:5)

D. The self-deceived person does not have a PERSONAL relationship with Jesus Christ.

(See Matthew 7:23; Psalm 6:8; Mark 5:7; Luke 8:28;
James 2:19; Isaiah 55:11)

III. Conclusion

IV. Communion

Communion is open for all who profess Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior. You do not have to be a member of Cornerstone or a member of a Southern Baptist Church to observe Communion with us. If you are a believer in Jesus Christ, you are welcome to take Communion.

If you would like to know more about what it means to be a Christian or if you would like to talk with someone or have someone pray for you, please see the pastor after the service.

Passage of Study

Matthew 7:21-23

²¹ “Not everyone who says to Me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father who is in heaven *will enter*. ²² Many will say to Me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in Your name, and in Your name cast out demons, and in Your name perform many miracles?’ ²³ And then I will declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness.’

All quotations are taken from the NAS Bible unless otherwise noted.
New American Standard Bible. Nashville: Thomas Nelson Publishers 1985.