

Questions for Consideration—With the Master on the Mount—Matthew 7:21-23—
Lesson 22— Profession Minus Possession Equals Perdition

1. (a) Read Matthew 7:21-23 along with Romans 10:9-13. (b) How do you reconcile these two passages?
2. Memorize Matthew 7:21.
3. (a) Jesus says those who call Him Lord without doing the things He says do not belong to Him. According to Matthew 18:3; Mark 3:35; John 3:5; Romans 2:13; Titus 1:15, 16; James 1:22-27 and James 2:20-26, what things indicate we belong to Him? (b) What other scripture comes to your mind when you think of those who profess Christ without obedience to Christ? (c) What things can we do to combat the false idea in many churches today that we can be on our way to heaven without a life of obedience?
4. (a) Why is it imperative that we do God's will according to Matthew 7:21-23; Matthew 12:50; Luke 11:28 and Romans 2:13? (b) How have you or did you teach others the importance of obedience? (c) Is obedience to the Lord a joy for you? What practical things have you learned in your own life that you can pass on to others?
5. (a) To whom will the Lord say "depart from me" according to Matthew 25:31-46, Luke 13:24-30, Revelation 20:15; 22:15? (b) What do you think Jesus means in Matthew 7:23 by the words "practice lawlessness"?
6. (a) Who called Jesus Lord in Matthew 25:1-13? (b) Did they go to glory? (c) Who else in Scripture comes to mind as someone who professed knowing Christ but proved to be false in the end? (d) What things do you learn from these examples?
7. *Please* examine your life in light of these verses. It is a matter of your eternal destiny. Do you call Jesus Lord without a life of obedience? Do you know anyone in your circle that calls Jesus Lord without a life of obedience? Come with a prayer request for yourself or another. (Please be discreet.)