

NewSpring Church Personal Study Guide

The Gospel — Week 3 — Making Sure

Matthew 7:21-23

“Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my father who is in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform many miracles?’ Then I will tell them plainly, ‘I never knew you. Away from me, you evil-doers.’”

- Not everyone who says they are a Christian is a Christian. Why do you think so many people are deceived?
- What are some false beliefs that people have in regards to salvation?
- What are some things that people believe are going to get them to heaven?

Hebrews 9:27

“Just as man is destined to die once, and after that to face judgment, so Christ was sacrificed once to take away the sins of many people; and he will appear a second time, not to bear sin, but to bring salvation to those who are waiting for him.”

- Does the reality of death frighten you? What should a believer’s response to the reality of death be?

John 6:40

“For my Father’s will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day.”

- Based on this verse, what do you think the will of the Father is for you personally?

Matthew 9:12-13

On hearing this, Jesus said, “it is not the healthy who need a doctor, but the sick. But go and learn what this means: ‘I desire mercy, not sacrifice.’ For I have not come to call the righteous, but sinners.”

- Why do religious people tend to sometimes miss what Jesus is doing around them?