

John 16:8 (NLT) ⁸And when he (Holy Spirit) comes, he will convict the world of its sin, and of God's righteousness, and of the coming judgment.

John 1:12-13 (NLT) ¹² But to all who believed him and accepted him, he gave the right to become children of God. ¹³ They are reborn—not with a physical birth resulting from human passion or plan, but a birth that comes from God.

Romans 8:15-16 (NLT) ¹⁵ So you have not received a spirit that makes you fearful slaves. Instead, you received God's Spirit when he adopted you as his own children. Now we call him, "Abba, Father."¹⁶ For his Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children.

Ephesians 2:8-9 (NLT) ⁸ God saved you by his grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this; it is a gift from God. ⁹ Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it.

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Romans 10:9-10 (NLT) ⁹ If you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. ¹⁰ For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by confessing with your mouth that you are saved.

Romans 10:13 (NLT) ¹³ For "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved."

1 John 1:9 (NLT) ⁹ But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.

John 14:6 (NLT) ⁶ Jesus told him, "I am the way, the truth, and the life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

Acts 4:12 (NLT) ¹² There is salvation in no one else! God has given no other name under heaven by which we must be saved."

John 3:18 (NLT) ¹⁸There is no judgment against anyone who believes in him. But anyone who does not believe in him has already been judged for not believing in God's one and only Son.

Romans 5:12 (NLT) ¹²When Adam sinned, sin entered the world. Adam's sin brought death, so death spread to everyone, for everyone sinned.

John 3:19-20 (NLT) ¹⁹And the judgment is based on this fact: God's light came into the world, but people loved the darkness more than the light, for their actions were evil. ²⁰All who do evil hate the light and refuse to go near it for fear their sins will be exposed.

Matthew 7:13-14 (NLT) ¹³You can enter God's Kingdom only through the narrow gate. The highway to hell is broad, and its gate is wide for the many who choose that way. ¹⁴But the gateway to life is very narrow and the road is difficult, and only a few ever find it.

3) We need to _____ to believe, confess, accept, and submit our lives to Jesus to become a Christian and enter into heaven.

- See John 1:12, Romans 10:9-10, 13, 1 John 1:9, John 14:6, and Acts 4:12

Four Key Things....

- Choose to believe
- Acknowledge and confess your sin and need for forgiveness
- Accept God's forgiveness
- Submit your life to Jesus and follow His teachings and plan for your life

4) A failure to choose to be "born again" is a _____ God and spend your eternal life in hell.

- See John 3:18, Romans 5:12, John 3:19-20, and Matthew 7:13-14

Separation from God and eternal life in hell is the default position in life.

5) God wants every follower of Jesus to do _____ in helping others make a decision to follow Christ.

Too many followers of Jesus are selfish and don't care that others have not yet made a choice to follow Jesus and will spend their eternity in hell.

What do you need to do in response to today's message?

If you made a choice to begin a relationship with Jesus today, we would like to encourage you and help you take the next step in your journey with Jesus. We encourage you to...

- ✓ Stop by the Prayer Room (by the World Map) in the lobby following the service and a pastor/elder will talk with you and provide more information.
- ✓ Send Pastor Mike an email at mike@otterbeinchurch.org or call him at 717-762-7147 x223 and let him know you made a decision to begin a relationship with Jesus.
- ✓ Go to the website www.otterbeinchurch.org and click on the Beginning Your Journey link for more information.