

## *Confession*

### *C* hrist

God confessed Christ (Matthew 3:17; 17:5).

The demons confessed Jesus (Matthew 8:29). They also believe (James 2:29).

We must confess Christ. Contrast Philippians 2:11 and Romans 14:11.

### *O* bedience

The confession is more than just words. Actions are to follow.

When viewed properly, the confession is pivotal in the conversion process. Another is being acknowledged as Lord (Read John 14:15).

### *N* eutral, we cannot be!

There are only two ways (Matthew 7:13, 14).

Jeremiahs 10:23 | Matthew 12:30 | Malachi 3:8

--Sing *Have Thine Own Way* (#169).--

### *F* ully

We cannot afford to hold anything back!

Luke 9:62 | 1 Kings 19:20, 21

### *E* xpecting to be confessed

Matthew 10:32 | Hebrews 2:11 | Matthew 16:16, 17

Our Lord will reward our confession.

### *S* incerely

Too many are content to *go through the motions*.

John 4:24 governs true worship. How should it feel to know that God desires something that only we can give? See also Ephesians 3:11.

### *S* urrendering

John 3:16 | 2 Corinthians 9:15 | Ephesians 2:8

How can we withhold our best from God?

--Sing *I Surrender All* (#10).--

### *I* nfluencing others

There is power in our example.

Matthew 5:13-16

### *O* penly, before men

What good are secret Christians?

**Timothy 6:12**-- One word (homologe'o) [3670] which is translated "confession is made" one time (Romans 10:10) and means "to say the same thing...to agree with...not to refuse, to promise...not to deny, to confess, declare...to profess...to

declare openly, speak out freely...to profess one's self the worshipper of one." This word is translated "confess" 17 times (Matthew 10:32,32; Luke 12:8,8; John 1:20,20; 9:22; 12:42; Acts23:8; 24:14; Romans 10:9; Hebrews 11:13; 1 John 1:9; 4:2,3,15; 2 John 7), "profess" 3 times (Matthew 7:23; 1 Timothy 6:12; Titus 1:16), "promise" (Matthew 14:7), "give thanks" (Hebrews 13:15) and "confession is made" (Romans 10:10).

*N*ot just before baptism

Our confession of Christ is a daily lifestyle (Romans 12:1, 2).

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Matthew	Christ	Demons	Neutral
Salvation	Openly	Surrender	Heaven
Hear	Baptism	Influence	Romans
Obedience	John	Actions	Love
Jesus	Savior	Lord	Ruler

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