

Lesson 9: The Sinner's Prayer

Soul-winning Seminar

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1. Why someone must _____ in order to be saved

A. The Bible is very clear that part of salvation is _____ calling upon the Lord

Romans 10:9 *That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.*

Romans 10:13 For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved.

B. This is seen all throughout _____

Genesis 4:26 And to Seth, to him also there was born a son; and he called his name Enos: then began men to call upon the name of the LORD.

Genesis 12:7 And the LORD appeared unto Abram, and said, Unto thy seed will I give this land: and there builded he an altar unto the LORD, who appeared unto him.

Genesis 12:8 And he removed from thence unto a mountain on the east of Bethel, and pitched his tent, *having* Bethel on the west, and Hai on the east: and there he builded an altar unto the LORD, and called upon the name of the LORD.

Psalms 116:13 I will take the cup of salvation, and call upon the name of the LORD.

Psalms 116:17 I will offer to thee the sacrifice of thanksgiving, and will call upon the name of the LORD.

Zephaniah 3:9 For then will I turn to the people a pure language, that they may all call upon the name of the LORD, to serve him with one consent.

2. Understanding “the _____ Prayer”

A. There is nothing _____ about the prayer itself

B. The _____ words will not save you

C. It is the _____ in your heart that will save you

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D. We must make sure that we are not going around just praying with people that do not _____ salvation

3. How this conversation may go

#1. Read the passage:

Romans 10:9: *That if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, thou shalt be saved.*

#2. Reveal the truth:

Illustration: Receiving a Gift

Explanation: If someone were to buy a gift, wrap it and write your name on it, it would not become yours until you accepted it. The gift of God is the exact same way. It's already been paid for by Jesus Christ and God offers it to all but you need to accept it. You accept the gift of eternal life by confessing with your mouth while believing in your heart.

#3. Review the concept:

Question:

- (1) Do you believe that Jesus Christ died on the cross, was buried and rose from the grave as a payment of your sin?***
- (2) Do you believe that salvation is a gift that you don't have to work for by doing good things?***
- (3) Do you believe that the gift of God is eternal life and will last forever no matter what you do?***
- (4) Do you believe that God wants to save you and will give you salvation if you simply ask him by faith?***

Note: Make sure you explain to the people that the mere words do not save them. We pray because God told us to confess with our mouth but the faith in your heart is equally needed!

Script:

"Dear Jesus, I know I'm a sinner and deserve to go to Hell; but I believe that you died on the cross, were buried, and rose again to pay for

my sin. I ask you to save me, forgive me of my sin, and take me to Heaven when I die. Thank you for giving me eternal life, Amen.”

4. Some last thoughts on presenting the Gospel

- A. *We show people their _____—“For all have sinned” (Romans 3:23)*
- B. *We show them the _____ for their sin—“For the wages of sin is death” (Romans 6:23)*
- C. *We show them that the Lord Jesus Christ _____ for their sin—“while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us” (Romans 5:8)*
- D. *We show them about _____—“He that believeth on the Son hath everlasting life” (John 3:36)*
- E. *We finish with having them _____ the Lord Jesus Christ as savior through prayer—“For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved” (Romans 10:13)*

Action Step: Highlight Romans 10:9 in your Bible

Homework: Memorize Romans 10:9 this week