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My Regret

Wilbur Chapman

We have an idea that men do not care to talk about their soul's salvation, and so our lips have been sealed. I roomed with a man in college for almost two years. I was a student for the ministry and knew that he was not a Christian, and I never warned him once. At the close of my college course, he

said to me, "Why have you never asked me to be a Christian?"

When I told him that I thought he did not care, he told me that that was the reason he had chosen the room with me. He said that there had not been a day or night, that he was not willing to talk. And then, try as hard as I would to lead him to Christ, I failed.

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Soul Winning

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When a person is saved, all his sins are forgiven. Although God will not remind us of our iniquities, the believer will be judged for what he did for Christ after he was saved. Every Christian is expected to tell others the biblical way to heaven. Although it is the commandment



most neglected by Christians, it is also the one most important! Here is some of what the Bible says about our personally winning a soul to heaven:

 **It is the wise thing to do.** "The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise." Proverbs 11:30

 **It will rescue a soul from spending an eternity in hell.** "Let him know, that he which converteth the sinner from the error of his way shall save a soul from death, and shall hide a multitude of sins." James 5:20

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What Salvation Is Not

To obtain salvation the Bible says one must:

Know they are a sinner and that they have not pleased God. — Romans 3:23

Know that they are going to hell because of their sin. — Romans 6:23

Know that God loved them so much, that He let His own Son, Jesus, die a terrible death on the cross as the ONLY payment for their sins. — Romans 5:8

Know that Jesus rose again and got victory over death, so we could also.

"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 10:9

Ask God to save you from your sins, and you will be saved! — Romans 10:10-11

The Bible DOES NOT say that salvation can be obtained by:

 **Doing many good works and earning one's way to heaven.**

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It is the primary way that a lost person will ever hear about God's way to heaven.

"And Philip ran thither to him, ... Understandest thou what thou rearest? And he said, How can I, except some man should guide me? ... Then Philip opened his mouth, and began at the same scripture, and preached unto him Jesus." Acts 8:30-35 How will the spiritually lost be saved, unless a child of God tells them?

It should be done in every house, as did the early church. Door-to-door witnessing is still the way we are expected to witness. It is how the early church grew, and it is how today's church will grow.

"And daily in the temple, and in every house, they ceased not to teach and preach Jesus Christ." Acts 5:42

It should be done by EVERYONE, not just the disciples, missionaries, pastors, and deacons!

"Go ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost." Matthew 28:19 Also: John 20:21, Luke 24:47, Mark 16:15

It is some of the Christian "fruit" a born-again believer should produce.

"And he that reapeth receiveth wages, and gathereth

fruit unto life eternal: that both he that soweth and he that reapeth may rejoice together." John 4:36 Also: John 15:16

The lost need to be "compelled", as were the visitors in the parable of the Great Supper (Luke 14:16-24). "Compelling" is done one-on-one!

"And the lord said unto the servant, Go out into the highways and hedges, and compel them to come in, that my house may be filled." Luke 14:23.

There are too many bound for hell (Mark 7:13). Do not be a selfish Christian and not share eternity with anyone. Someone probably shared it with you. If they had not, you would most likely not be heaven bound.

It has been estimated that probably 95% of all church members have never led anyone to Christ!

God chose us to bring as many to heaven with us as we can. What a shame it would be for a Christian to live a full life on earth and never, or rarely, have won a soul to heaven.

"Well, I just can't do it," and "I am too shy to talk to anyone," are not excuses that biblically excuse anyone from their God-commanded duty to witness. I never met a person who thought that it was easy for them to witness to strangers in the beginning. I am sure it was hard for the members of the early church also; but because they obeyed God, their church grew.

After they witnessed to others, God blessed their church. Soul-winning is the biblical way to get the message of salvation to others. It still works today! Have you witnessed to anyone this week?

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"For by grace are ye saved through faith; and that not of yourselves: it is the gift of God: Not of works, lest any man should boast." Ephesians 2:8-9

Believing there is a God and Jesus. Satan knows and has talked to both the Father and Son, and he is certainly not going to heaven.

"Then shall he say also unto them on the left hand, Depart from me, ye cursed, into everlasting fire, prepared for the devil and his angels." Matthew 25:41

Believing you are a good person and worthy of heaven.

"As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one." Ro. 3:10

Obeying all the doctrines of a church, or even the Bible.

Without Jesus as one's Saviour they are just good deeds. Unless one receives Jesus as personal Saviour, all "religion" is in vain.

"Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life: no man cometh unto the Father, but by me." John 14:6

Also: Mat. 7:22-23

Being a member of any church or religion.

"This people draweth nigh unto me with their mouth, and hon-

oureth me with their lips; but their heart is far from me But in vain they do worship me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." Matthew 15:8-9

Just having a saved mother, father, or a "grandfather that was a preacher". One's salvation cannot get anyone else into heaven. Salvation is a personal relationship with God. No one can get saved for us.

At Your Own Door

Christian Digest

Sophie had been praying for twelve years to become a foreign missionary. One day, she had so prayed, and the Heavenly Father seemed to say, "Sophie, stop! Where were you born?"

"In Germany, Father."

"Where are you now?"

"In America, Father."

"Well, are you not a foreign missionary already?" Then she felt God speaking to her heart, "Who lives on the floor above you?"

"A family of Swedes."

"And who above them?"

"Why some Switzers," she thought.

"And who in the rear?"

"Italians."

"And you have never said a word to these people about My Son? Do you think I will send you thousands of miles to the foreign fields, when you never cared enough about them at your own door to speak with them about their souls?"