

Israel's Future, Part 5

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I. Introduction.

A. Text: Romans 10:9-10.

B. Jesus pronounced judgment on the people of Israel because of their willful unbelief. (Luke 19:41-44, Matthew 23)

II. Elements of Israel's ignorance.

A. The person of God. (Luke 15:16)

B. The provision of Christ.

C. The place of faith for righteousness. (Leviticus 18:5, Galatians 3, Deuteronomy 30:5-13, Colossians 1, I Thessalonians 3:13)

III. Faith and confession brings salvation.

A. Righteousness equals salvation. One is positive and the other is negative. (Philippians 3:8)

B. Righteousness and salvation is received by believing in the inner core of a person. (Proverbs 4:23, John 8:24, 20:31)

C. The verification of Jesus' ministry and promises is resurrection. (Romans 1:4, Hebrews 1, Romans 4:24, Acts 13:32, 16:30, 17:31, I Corinthians 15)

D. Belief is essential. (John 8:30)

E. The mark of true faith is the confession of the Lordship of Jesus. (James 2:19, Hebrews 5-6, Romans 9:20-21, Acts 24, Matthew 19, Luke 9, Matthew 3, 17:5, Romans 14:9, I Corinthians 12:3, Ephesians 1, Philippians 1, Romans 10:13, Joel 2:32, Philippians 2:9-11, Romans 1)

Application questions:

1. What role does resurrection play in the believer's confession?

2. Is confessing the Lordship of Christ limited to confessing the deity of Christ? Defend your answer.

3. How would you nuance your presentation of the gospel based upon the message? What aspect of the gospel is often missing in the presentation of Christians today?
