

CONFESS #1

As Jesus was teaching His followers what they needed to do to assure themselves of salvation, He left no doubt of the importance of confession. In this context we're not talking about confessing sin; that was also commanded by Christ, but would have been accomplished when a person repented. The confession we're referring to here is the verbal acknowledgment that Jesus was the Son of God, the Savior of the world. In Matthew 10:32-33 Jesus said this, "Therefore everyone who confesses Me before men, I will also confess him before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, I will also deny him before My father who is in heaven."

Once a person became a believer in Christ and repented of his past life, it was then necessary for him to communicate to others his new heart felt convictions. By proclaiming Jesus as the Son of God, not only was he publicly announcing his faith and taking a stand with his Lord, but he was also honoring the Savior for who He really was. So for us to become a child of God, we too must confess Christ as part of that process. Then He will confess us to the Father, confirming our status as a Christian and granting to us all the blessings that brings.