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Exposing the Truth about Salvation Matthew 7:21-23

I. It's More Than Words - 7:21a

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Life Group Study Questions
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1. Has there been a time in your life when you wondered if you were truly saved? What prompted you to doubt?
2. To reference Jesus as “Lord, Lord” implies you are a person who recognizes Him as God’s Son and Savior. Why does this make verse 21 so scary?
3. What does it mean when we read “the one who does the will of My Father” will enter the Kingdom? Is this promoting works based salvation? If not, what is it saying?
4. Jesus never backs away about the true evidence of genuine salvation being obedient to His Word. How does this differ from having spiritual experiences or moments? Read John 8:31.
5. When Jesus says, “I never knew you” in verse 23, he uses a very important term. It means to be involved in intimate relationship. Is your relationship with God something you would describe as “intimate?” Why or why not?
6. Those who have been rejected by God can have a pretty impressive spiritual resume. What are some of the things we can be tempted to think would qualify us for salvation?

7. We can be very loyal to our spiritual resume. How does the fact that many of the people in this passage who have been waiting in hell for centuries for this conversation strike you? What is scary about this?

8. The indictment of Jesus is against those who “practice lawlessness.” This implies a pattern of continual rejection of the pursuit of righteousness. What do the patterns of your own spiritual life reveal about you presently?

9. Are you saved? Is there evidence of a growing hunger for righteousness and a humble turning from sin? If not, today’s the day. If you are, praise God and pray for his continued protection from a surface relationship with Him.