

KINGDOM LIFE

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A SERMON SERIES ON THE SERMON ON THE MOUNT



THE DANGEROUS CONSEQUENCES OF FALSE PROFESSIONS

MATTHEW 7:21-23



“Cheap grace is the grace we bestow on ourselves. Cheap grace is the preaching of forgiveness without requiring repentance, baptism without church discipline, communion without confession, absolution without personal confession. Cheap grace is grace without discipleship, grace without the cross, grace without Jesus Christ, living and incarnate.”



“Costly grace is the gospel which must be sought again and again, the gift which must be asked for, the door at which a man must knock. Such grace is costly because it calls us to follow, it is grace because it calls us to follow Jesus Christ. It is costly because it costs a man his life, and it is grace because it gives a man the only true life.”

DIETRICH BONHOEFFER





MATTHEW 24:4

And Jesus answered them, “See that no one leads you astray. For many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am the Christ,’ and they will lead many astray.”



MATTHEW 24:24

“For false Christs and false prophets will arise and perform great signs and wonders, so as to lead astray, if possible, even the elect.”



**PROFESSION of Jesus Christ,
without POSSESSION of Jesus Christ,
warrants CONDEMNATION by
Jesus Christ.**



MATTHEW 7:21-23

“Not everyone who says to me, ‘Lord, Lord,’ will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’



MATTHEW 7:21-23 (cont.)

“And then will I declare to them, ‘I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness.’”





**PROFESSION
WITHOUT
POSSESSION**



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MATTHEW 8:28-29

“And when he came to the other side, to the country of the Gadarenes, two demon-possessed men met him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. And behold, they cried out, “What have you to do with us, **O Son of God**? Have you come here to torment us before the time?”



MARK 1:23-25

“And immediately there was in their synagogue a man with an unclean spirit. And he cried out, ‘What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—***the Holy One of God.***’”



MARK 5:7

“And crying out with a loud voice, he said, ‘What have you to do with me, Jesus, ***Son of the Most High God?*** I adjure you by God, do not torment me.’”



JAMES 2:19

“You believe that God is one; you do well. Even the demons believe—and shudder!”





*“If anyone other than the Lord Jesus Christ had
said this we would not believe it!”*

MARTYN LLOYD-JONES



**POSSESSION,
NOT OF NAME,
BUT EXCUSES**



MATTHEW 7:22

“On that day many will say to me, ‘Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?’”



PSALM 51:17

“a broken spirit; a broken and contrite heart.”





**THE WORST
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JESUS CHRIST**



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JOHN 10:14

“I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me....,”





“God gives the warnings to believers to solidify them in the faith. The warnings help us not to take God’s grace for granted. They sober us in moments of temptation and darkness. A true believer can never be lost, but a true believer also never stops following Jesus.”

J. D. GREEAR





“While you may not understand all of his way, you [must] recognize that he makes the rules!”

J. D. GREEAR



REVELATION 19:11-16

Then I saw heaven opened, and behold, a white horse! The one sitting on it is called Faithful and True, and in righteousness he judges and makes war. His eyes are like a flame of fire, and on his head are many diadems, and he has a name written that no one knows but himself. He is clothed in a robe dipped in blood, and the name by which he is called is The Word of God.



REVELATION 19:11-16 (cont.)

And the armies of heaven, arrayed in fine linen, white and pure, were following him on white horses. From his mouth comes a sharp sword with which to strike down the nations, and he will rule them with a rod of iron. He will tread the winepress of the fury of the wrath of God the Almighty.



REVELATION 19:11-16 (cont.)

On his robe and on his thigh he has a name written, **King of kings and Lord of lords.**





1 JOHN 5:10-12

Whoever believes in the Son of God ***has the testimony in himself***. Whoever does not believe God has made him a liar, because he has not believed in the testimony that God has borne concerning his Son. And this is the testimony, that God gave us eternal life, and this life is in his Son. Whoever has the Son has life; whoever does not have the Son of God does not have life.



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1 JOHN 3:14-15

We know that we have passed out of death into life, because we love the brothers. Whoever does not love abides in death. Everyone who hates his brother is a murderer, and you know that no murderer has eternal life abiding in him.



“May God grant us honesty as we face this terrifying truth, this truth we shall have to answer for when ‘all earthly scenes have passed away’, and we stand before Christ and face him. If you feel you are condemned, confess it to God, hunger and thirst after righteousness, turn believingly to the Lord Jesus Christ, ask him to give it to you, cost what it may, whatever its effect and results, and he will give it to you, for he has said, ‘Blessed are they which do hunger and thirst after righteousness; for they shall be filled.’”

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