

Grace Bible Chapel

Luke – Message #104

Sunday, November 9th, 2025

Luke 11:24-28 – So, You Say You’re a Christian?

V. Jesus’ Journey Toward Jerusalem (9:51-19:27)

a. Ministry in Samaria, Bethany, and Judea (9:51-13:35)

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xvii. Praying with Confidence (5-13)

xviii. Whose Side Are You On? (14-23)

xix. **So, You Say You’re a Christian?** (24-28)

Key Passage: Luke 11:28, “But He said, ‘On the contrary, blessed are those who hear the word of God and observe it.’”

Introduction: _____

I. The Description of Reformation without Regeneration: (vv.24, 25; Mt 12:43-44) _____

II. The Danger of an Unregenerate Religion: (v.26; Ezra 3, 6, 7, 10; Neh 2, 13; 2 Pet 2:20-22) _____

III. **The Definition** of True Christianity: (vv.27, 28; Jas 1:22; Jn 8:31, 14:23; Gal 5:6; Rom 8:9) ____

Conclusion: _____

Reflection Questions:

1. Have I confused moral reform with true regeneration? Am I trying to clean up my life on the outside instead of surrendering my heart to Christ on the inside?
2. When I think about my obedience to Christ, am I obeying because I love Him, or because I'm trying to prove something to myself or others?
3. Do I see evidence of the Spirit's work in me (Gal 5:22-23), or am I relying on my own effort to produce what only God can?
4. What does my relationship with the Word of God reveal about my heart? Am I merely hearing it, or am I keeping it because I love the One who gave it?

Heart Check:

- I can clean up my life, polish my image, even speak the language of faith, and still be empty inside. Has my heart truly been filled with Christ, or am I still trusting in my own reform instead of His redeeming grace?

"The necessary result of God's saving work is a transformed person. When a soul is redeemed, Christ gives a new heart (cf. Ezekiel 36:26). Implicit in that change of heart is a new set of desires – a desire to please God, to obey, and to reflect His righteousness. If such a change does not occur, there is no reason to think genuine salvation has taken place." – J. MacArthur, The Gospel According to Jesus