Berean Bible Class

Matthew 7:21-23

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5:20 Key Verse

For I say to you, that unless your righteousness exceeds the righteousness of the scribes and Pharisees, you will by no means enter the kingdom of heaven.

Pharisees:
Served
Prayed
Tithed

Matthew 7:21

Not everyone who says to Me, Lord, Lord, shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of My Father in heaven.

Model Prayer 6:10Your will be done

Matthew 7:22

Many will say to Me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in Your name, cast out demons in Your name, and done many wonders in Your name?

Matthew 7:23

And then I will declare to them, I never knew you; depart from Me, you who practice lawlessness!

Big Shock to Some

Lord G2962 κύριος kurios

Noun masculine singular vocative (n)
Master, Might, Power,
Supreme in authority

Can You Call Him Lord, But Not Obey Him? Jesus says NO.

Luke 6:46

But why do you call Me 'Lord, Lord,' and not do the things which I say?

1. Who Will Enter Heaven? Those Who Do His Will

2. Who Will Enter Heaven?

Romans 8:9 – Those With the Spirit of Christ

But you are not in the flesh but in the Spirit, if indeed the Spirit of God dwells in you. Now if anyone does not have the Spirit of Christ, he is not His.

3. Who Will Enter Heaven? Those Born Again

Before	After
Nicodemus the Pharisee	Nicodemus the Believer
Saul of Tarsus	Paul the Apostle

Saul of Tarsus

A Pharisee's Pharisee – Very Religious In God's Name, Persecuting Christians Self-Righteous Believed He Was Headed for Heaven But Lost – Headed for Hell

Paul the Apostle

Met Jesus
Accepted Jesus as Lord
Obeyed God's Will
In Heaven

Judas Iscariot one of the 12

Participated in amazing things

Mark 6:7

And He called the twelve to *Himself,* and began to send them out two *by* two, and gave them power over unclean spirits.

Judas Iscariot	References
Called to be an Apostle	Mark 3:13-19
The Treasurer - trusted	John 13:21, 26-30
Rebuked	John 12:7-8
Not expected to fail	John 13:28-29
Warned by Jesus	John 6:70-71;13:26-27
Betrayed Jesus	Matthew 26:14-16; 47-50
Remorseful – Worldly sorrow produces death	2 Corinthians 7:10; Matthew 27:3-5
Life Wasted	Matthew 27:5

Jesus' Message in the Sermon

Live Righteously

Live Obediently (your will be done 6:10)

Explained What Sin Looks Like

Is the Topic Eternal Security of Believers? No.

But, it is directed at those with Pharisee type Righteousness.

Motives Matter Attitudes Matter Your Obedience Matters

Because of these Truths, We Should

1. Live a Beatitude Life

2. Be Salt & Light

3. Stay on the Right Path



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