



George Bailey used to say, "Sitting in a church house no more makes you a Christian than sitting in a hen house makes you a hen." It is a fact incontestable that everybody who comes to a meeting does not come for the same purpose. Elton Trueblood has called going to church the "greatest spectator sport in America." The pulpit is sometimes ever referred to as "the stage." It seems timely then, to ask the question, "Why did you go?" This multiple purpose that drives men is not strange to the 20th century; it occurred even in the lifetime of the Lord. One time when He went into a synagogue with other worshipers, they had a diverse reaction. The testimony of the Sabbath: "for they wanted to find something which they could use as a charge against Him (Mk. 3:2). They came not to worship but to watch.

Super critics can always find in the assembly of the people of God something of which they may make a capital case, and something they can use to justify their own littleness of spirit and being. There are not very many perfect song leaders, prayer leaders, and announcements have a way of growing longer and longer. It is easy to find some-

thing to criticize—for man has so many imperfections it is impossible for him to hide them all.

However, if a person comes to worship, he more than likely will obtain the very thing that brought him here—namely knowing he has been in the presence of God. Jesus made a promise that where two or three are gathered together, in His name, He would be there. If a person has come to worship the Lord, more than likely, in his sacred quest he shall find satisfaction.

Analyze your own life. Ask yourself the question, “Have I come to worship or watch?” You can be successful in both....but only one carries the benefit of blessing.

Jim Bill McInteer

## **That Peer Pressure**

Submit to pressures from peers and you move down to their level.

Speak up for your own beliefs and you invite them up to your level.

If you move with the crowd, you will get no further than the crowd.

When 40 million people believe in a dumb idea, it is still a dumb idea.

Simply swimming with the tide leaves you nowhere.

So if you believe in something that is good, honest and bright—stand up for it.

Maybe your peers will get smart and drift your way.

—Wall Street Journal

## **What Must I Do To Be Saved?**

You will never ask a more important question than this. Since the Lord saves, the answer must also be His.

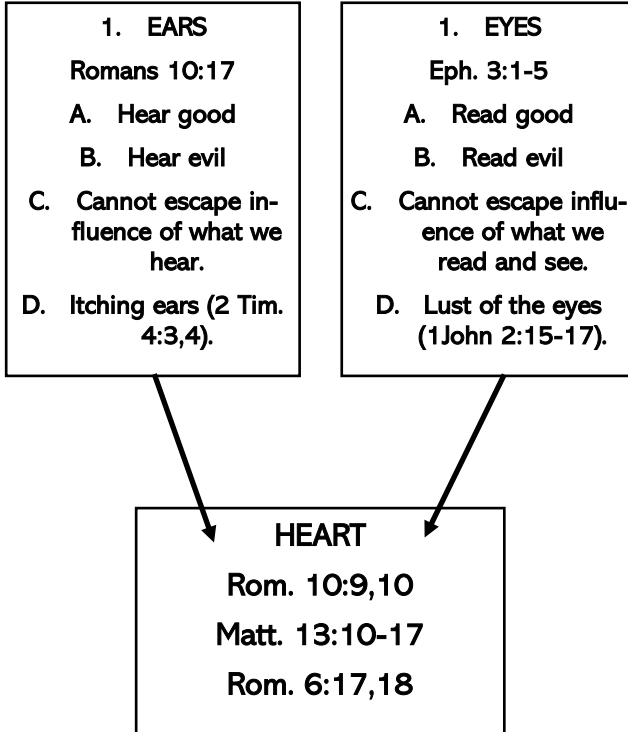
1. Believe the gospel (Mk. 16:15, 16). Believe in Christ as God’s Son (Jno. 20:31).
2. Repent (Acts 2:38; 17:30).
3. Confess your faith in Jesus as God’s Son (Acts 8:37).



4. Be baptized (immersed) for remission of sins (Acts 2:38; 22:16).
5. Be faithful (2 Tim. 4:7).

## How the Heart is Changed

### Avenues of Information



Our heart is molded by what we see and hear. We are what we have taken into our heart by ears and eyes. How vital then to set a watch on our heart to guard against the corrupting sights and sounds of Satan.  
Kenneth Frazier



**Sermon Notes**

**July 11, 2021**

Theme: \_\_\_\_\_ Speaker: \_\_\_\_\_

**Order of Worship July 11, 2021**

Song Leader—AM	Gary Barber
Song Leader—PM	Michael Young
Lord's Table	Derek Steen
Sermon—AM	Devin Barber
Sermon—PM	Devin Barber

Continue prayers for those on our list, and for the free course of the gospel.

*1 John 5:14*

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**Hebrews 10:24-25**