

# Good News: Jesus Saves!

(1 John 1:7-10)

- Introduction:
1. We all like to have the opportunity to share good news.
  2. As a Christian, that should have special significance (Romans 1:16).
  3. Possessing the good news we possess should make it impossible to keep silent (Jeremiah 20:7-9; 2 Kings 7:9).
  4. Although we possess good news, we sometimes are vulnerable to a careless handling of this news.
    - a. At times we focus on peripherals.
    - b. The power to motivate people to submit their wills to Jesus does not reside in peripherals, but in a decisive act by God on Calvary.
  5. Let's focus on the good news that Jesus saves.

## I. The Cleansing Blood of Christ is *CONDITIONAL*

- A. (1 John 1:7).
- B. "If" speaks of the conditional nature of the cleansing.
- C. The condition itself is - "walking in the light."
- D. Walking in the light has reference to a manner of life; a lifestyle that is habitual.
- E. Walking in the light does not demand perfection (Romans 3:10,23).

## II. The Cleansing Blood of Christ is *CONTINUING*

- A. "Cleansing" is in the present tense, which denotes ongoing, continual action.
- B. This fact builds our confidence and gives us hope and security.

## III. The Cleansing Blood of Christ is *COMPLETE*

- A. His blood will cleanse us of "all" sin.
- B. Any sin that a Christian can bring himself to repent of and confess is a sin that can and will be forgiven by Christ.
- C. That promise is couched in the faithfulness and trustworthiness of Jesus, Himself.

## IV. The Cleansing Blood of Christ Must Be *CONTACTED*

- A. We must be washed in the "Blood of the Lamb." (Revelation 1:5).
- B. This cleansing takes place in baptism (Romans 6:3-4, 17-18).

- Conclusion:
1. We do indeed possess good news today - Jesus Saves!
  2. Will you avail yourself of that salvation?
  3. If you have already, will you go out and tell others about it, that they too, might be saved?