

How To Be A Success



Text: Matthew 7:21-27

I. Introduction

- Tim's definition of success – Success is salvation; no more, no less

II. The Teachings Of Jesus Are The Foundation For A Successful Life

- The teachings of Jesus are the foundation for a meaningful and satisfying (successful) life (love for God, self, neighbor, etc.)
- The way of Christ cannot be improved upon
- But in order to reap the benefits of Jesus' teachings:

III. We Must Act Upon Jesus' Teachings

- It's not enough to simply believe...we must put His teachings into practice
- Our success in life is only proportional to the degree to which we hand over our lives to Jesus
- All things being equal, the Christ-centered life is the best life possible
- The only times we should regret in our lives as Christians is when we sin against God

IV. When We Live By Christ's Teachings, We Discover Great Benefits

- Volunteer work frequently increases the number of years you live
- Five main characteristics of a lasting marriage are: 1) commitment to the marriage, 2) commitment to your spouse, 3) communication, 4) autonomy, and 5) deeply religious faith
- So, finally, the message of the day is to:

V. Wise Up

- **1 Corinthians 10:31**
- Only through Jesus can we find everlasting life
- Giving all our life to Christ gets us to heaven through Him
- Examine your life as a Christian
- Are you ready to glorify God in all you do?
- This is the secret of a happy and successful life

VI. Conclusion

- “Everyone who hears these words of mine and puts them into practice is like a wise man who built his house on the rock!”
- Give your life to Him!