

Salvation Requires a Coup d'etat
(a sudden overthrow of an existing government)

That if you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For it is with your heart that you believe and are justified, and it is with your mouth that you confess and are saved.
Romans 10:9-10 NIV

***Texts that Point to the Necessity of Yielding to Christ as Lord in Order to Inherit Eternal Life: (NOTE - None of these texts means that salvation can be earned by works of the law. Salvation is by grace through faith; it does not come from ourselves; it is the gift of God [Ephesians 2:8]. What these texts teach is that the faith that justifies also sanctifies [Acts 15:9]. Letter to a Friend by John Piper**

1. *The Necessity of Doing Good:* Matthew 7:21-23, John 5:28-29, Romans 2:6-10, Galatians 6:9, 1 Timothy 5:8, James 2: 17, 26
2. *The Necessity of Obedience:* Matthew 7:24-27, Matthew 12:48-50, Luke 13:6-9, Luke 8:11-15, John 14:15, John 15:2, John 3:36, Romans 6:12,14, 1 Corinthians 6:9-10, Hebrews 5:8-9, Hebrews 10:36, 1 John 2:4, 1 John 2:17
3. *The Necessity of Holiness:* 2 Thessalonians 2:13, Hebrews 12:14
4. *The Necessity to Forgive Others:* Matthew 6:12-15, (NOTE: The eternal significance of forgiveness in Matthew 6 is made plain in the parable of the unforgiving servant in Matthew 18. Jesus is not merely talking about losing fellowship. He is talking about losing God if we go on through life with an unforgiving spirit). Matthew 18:32-35
5. *The Necessity Not to Live According to the Flesh:* Romans 8:12-14, Galatians 5:19-21, Galatians 5:24, Galatians 6:8
6. *The Necessity of Being Free from the Love of Money:* Luke 14:25-33, Luke 18:18-22
7. *The Necessity of Love to Christ and God:* Matthew 10:37-39, Matthew 24:12-13, John 8:42, Romans 8:28, 1 Corinthians 2:9-10, 1 Corinthians 8:3, Corinthians 16:22, 2 Thessalonians 2:9-10, 2 Timothy 4:8, James 1:12, James 2:5, 1 Peter 1:8, 1 Peter 2:7, 1 John 2:15

8. *The Necessity to Love Others:* Matthew 25:40-46, Luke 10:25-28, Galatians 5:6, 1 Peter 3:9, 1 John 3:14, 1 John 4:8, 20
9. *The Necessity to Love the Truth:* 2 Thessalonians 2:10
10. *The Necessity of Being Childlike:* Matthew 18:2-3
11. *The Necessity to Bridle the Tongue:* James 1:26
12. *The Necessity of Perseverance:* Mark 13:13, Luke 9:62, 1 Corinthians 15:1-2, Colossians 1:21-23, 2 Timothy 2:11-12, Hebrews 3:6, Hebrews 3:12-14, Hebrews 6:11-12, Hebrews 10:36
13. *The Necessity of Walking in the Light:* 1 John 1:7
14. *The Necessity of Repentance:* Luke 3:3, Mark 1:14-15, Luke 3:8, Luke 5:32, Luke 13:1-3, Luke 15:7, Luke 24:46-47, Acts 2:38, Acts 3:19, Acts 5:31, Acts 11:18, Acts 20:21
15. *The Necessity of Warfare Vigilance:* 1 Timothy 6:12, Matthew 7:13-14, Luke 13:24, Hebrews 3:12-14, Hebrews 12:14, 1 Corinthians 9:24-27, 2 Timothy 4:7

***NOTE: Personal holiness and Kingdom service do not save us, but they are symptoms that we are saved!**