

## ***DO YOU KNOW: CONFESSION'S ROLE IN SALVATION?***

*“...that if you confess with your mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in your heart that God has raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation”* (Romans 10:9-10). This text teaches—

**1. Sinners must confess that Jesus is Lord.** Paul makes it clear that “confession” in this verse means speaking your conviction concerning Jesus as Lord and Christ. This confession is not “listing your sins.”

**2. Salvation is not by faith alone.** You cannot believe that “salvation is by faith alone” and accept Romans 10:9-10. Believing in Jesus without confessing Him leaves us lost.

**3. Man must work to be saved.** Though it is simple, confession is work. Speaking requires thought, conviction, and even physical energy. Does the work of confession earn salvation? Of course not, but you cannot be saved without confessing your conviction of the Christ.

**4. Confession is essential to salvation.** Read Acts 8:37 and Matthew 16:16 to learn more about this confession. [Read next week's article today at [WWW.QVCOC.COM](http://WWW.QVCOC.COM).]