

**YEAR OF GLORY TO GOD:**

**“HOW WILL MY TESTIMONY MAKE THE "GLORY LIST OF 2021”?**

**“CONFESS IT WITH YOUR MOUTH”**

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# CONFESS IT WITH YOUR MOUTH

## TEXTS:

### Luke 18:35-43

<sup>35</sup> As Jesus approached Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging. <sup>36</sup> When he heard the crowd going by, he asked what was happening.

<sup>37</sup> They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." <sup>38</sup> He called out, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" <sup>39</sup> Those who led the way rebuked him and told him to be quiet, but he shouted all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"

<sup>40</sup> Jesus stopped and ordered the man to be brought to Him. When he came near, Jesus asked him, <sup>41</sup> **"What do you want me to do for you?"**

**"Lord, I want to see,"** he replied. <sup>42</sup> Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has healed you." <sup>43</sup> Immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, praising God. **When all the people saw it, they also praised God.**

**Brethren**, in this message are lots of expositions

1. This beggar was obviously blind and has been for many years. Jesus knew that has always been there and he is blind.
2. The blind man was awareness and sensitive to his environment – knew when Jesus was passing.
3. He demonstrated deeper knowledge of whom Jesus is - He did not only call Him “Jesus” but described Him as “Son of David.”
4. He had an inner conviction that if Jesus heard him, he will be healed – when they tried to stop him, he shouted all the more.
5. Confessing our expected outcome is important – Jesus asked him **“What do you want me to do for you?”** **“Lord, I want to see,”** he replied.
6. Once we confess correctly, the Lord will confirm what we confessed. **“Receive your sight.”** (1 Kings 18:38 – God’s fire came down).

**Brethren, CONFESS IT WITH YOUR MOUTH AND IT WILL BE CONFIRMED.**

**Romans 10:10** says that: “with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved.”

Believing in our heart that God can give us a testimony is good but not enough. Confessing the specific testimony you need is required.

### **Mark 11:23-24**

Truly, I say to you, whoever says to this mountain, ‘Be taken up and thrown into the sea,’ and does not doubt in his heart, but believes that what he says will come to pass, it will be done for him. Therefore I tell you, whatever you ask in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours.

**Psalms 32:5**, David said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,” and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.”

**Romans 14:11** For it is written, “As I live, says the Lord, ..... **every tongue shall confess to God.**”

## **Prov. 18:20-21**

“A man’s belly shall be **satisfied with the fruit of his mouth**; and with the increase of his lips shall he be filled.”

**Luke 6:45** “What you say flows from what is in your heart.”

**Romans 10:8** ...“The word is near you; it is in your mouth and in your heart,”

## **What is confession?**

1. It is *declaring* what you believe to be true
2. It is *giving evidence* to what you know in your heart.
3. It is *testifying* to the truth you have accepted.
4. It is articulating and verbally presenting what you believe a situation is.



# HOW DO WE CONFESS:

## **Exodus 14:13**

Moses answered the people, “Do not be afraid. Stand firm and you will see the deliverance the LORD will bring you today. The Egyptians you see today you will never see again.

## **1 Samuel 17:44–46**

David said to Goliath

**46** This day the LORD will deliver you into my hand, and I will strike you down and cut off your head. And I will give the dead bodies of the host of the Philistines this day to the birds of the air and to the wild beasts of the earth, that all the earth may know that there is a God in Israel.

## **Numbers 14**

<sup>6</sup> Joshua and Caleb, who were among those who had explored the land, tore their clothes <sup>7</sup> and said to the entire Israelite assembly, “The land we passed through and explored is exceedingly good. <sup>8</sup> If the LORD is pleased with us, He will lead us

into that land, a land flowing with milk and honey, and will give it to us. <sup>9</sup> Only do not rebel against the LORD. And do not be afraid of the people of the land, because we will devour them. Their protection is gone, but the LORD is with us. Do not be afraid of them.”

### **OTHER WAYS WE CONFESS:**

Undergoing healing? “By His stripes I am healed” (Isaiah 53:5). Jesus, “Himself took my infirmities and bare my sickness.” (Matthew 8:17)

Worries? I am “Casting all my cares upon Him, who cares for me.” (1 Peter 5:7).  
In need? “My God will supply all your needs according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus. ” (Philippians 4:19)

Fear? “God always causes me to triumph in Christ Jesus.” (2 Corinthians 2:14).

# Conclusion

Brethren,

**Hebrews 11:1** defines faith as “confidence in what we hope for and assurance about what we do not see.”

Confessing our testimony before we see it is a demonstration of our faith and a declaration of what we believe.

Today, God says if we want testimony, we should confess it.  
Let us go and confess our testimony.  
God bless you.