

## CONFESSION THEN POSSESSION

**Rom 10:9** That if thou shalt **confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus**, and shalt believe in thine heart that God hath raised him from the dead, **thou shalt be saved.**

The word “saved” in the Greek is “sozo”, which means to be “healed spiritually and physically”. Put simply it means, healed in the soul and healed in the body, or saved from sin and saved from sickness.

The same word is translated “heal, preserve, save and make whole”.

Paul says “confession” is made unto salvation. In other words salvation can only come after confession. Jesus is the “**high priest of our confession**”. Man does not need any other priest, for Jesus is the High Priest of our confession. See Greek meaning on confession last paragraphs on p.2.

Proper confession means that we are in agreement with God regarding our sin. Hence we pray in agreement with God’s Word.

1Jn 1:9 **If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins,** and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Man makes his confession to God, who forgives and cleanses the sin and sickness. Man cannot mediate or forgive sins; not even those of the highest priesthood. Christ is the only mediator between God and man. (1Tim 2:5)

**Mk 11:24** "Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive *them*, and **ye shall have *them*.**"

**Rev 12:11** And **they overcame** him by the blood of the Lamb, and **by the word of their testimony**; and they loved not their lives unto the death.

These believers had received such spiritual increase that their word confession became so courageous and powerful they were able to overcome natural hardships even martyrdom.

**Rom 8:37** Nay, in all these things we are **more than conquerors through him** that loved us.

We need not pray for faith! (Rom 10:17)  
We need not pray for godliness. (2 Pet 1:3)

**Rom 10:17** So then **faith cometh by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.**

**2 Pet 1:3** According as **his divine power hath given unto us all things** that *pertain* unto life and godliness, through the knowledge of him that hath called us to glory and virtue.

Prayer for the sick is a faith confession in the name of Jesus Christ. When James wrote his epistle there were no such things as microsurgery and antibiotics. We must believe that “the prayer of faith shall save the sick” and that “He will do it”.

**Jn 14:12** "Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that believeth on me, the works that I do shall he do also; and **greater works than these shall he do**; because I go unto my Father." 13"**And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do**, that the Father may be glorified in the Son." 14"**If ye shall ask any thing in my name, I will do it.**

**Jas 5:13** **Is any among you afflicted? let him pray.** Is any merry? let him sing psalms. 14Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and **let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord:** 15**And the prayer of faith shall save the sick**, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him.

**Rom 8:18** For I reckon that **the sufferings of this present time are not worthy to be compared with the glory which shall be revealed in us.**

Paul's confidence in the glory that awaited him in heaven gave him a positive daily confession. This is why we must read the Word of God. It will give us the same faith confession. **The incoming Word, becomes the outgoing Word.**

**Rom 8:28** **And we know that all things work together for good to them that love God**, to them who are the called according to *his* purpose.

**1 Tim 6:12** Fight the good fight of faith, lay hold on eternal life, whereunto thou art also called, and hast **professed a good profession** before many witnesses.

**Heb 4:14** Seeing then that we have a great high priest, that is passed into the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, **let us hold fast our profession.**

The Greek word for profession is “homologia”. Read (Heb 3:1) Same Gk. word. It means to confess publicly. So, one could say that the word “profession” is inter-locked with the word “confession”.

In other words our profession of faith is due to our confession of faith.

So, we must hold fast our confession (profession) till the end. (Heb 4:14)