

ALL WILL BE REVEALED

Luke 12:2-3 ... "For there is nothing covered that will not be revealed, nor hidden that will not be known. Therefore whatever you have spoken in the dark will be heard in the light, and what you have spoken in the ear in inner rooms will be proclaimed on the housetops."

We would all like to believe that it is possible to keep secrets. There are things we have done in our lives that we are keeping a secret. We hope upon hope that no one finds out what they are. We like to give gifts to friends and family that are wrapped in pretty paper so the gift will remain a secret until it is opened. Keeping secrets could even be considered a popular pastime. And, we subscribe to the principle that there are rules about secrets that no one will break. But these desires all amount to wishful thinking because we are not the only ones that know our secrets.

It should be obvious that God sees, hears and knows everything about us. Yet, we still occasionally try to be secretive about certain parts of our lives. It may be possible to hide things about yourself from your friends and family, even unto death. You may be able to hide things from your employer, a teacher, or the police that they will never find out during your lifetime. However, a time is coming when our lives will be laid bare; when everything we ever did, said, or thought are publicly revealed by Christ at judgment.

There is only one way to stop Christ from revealing your secrets and using your past to judge you: You must confess your sins to him in private now, repent of them (which means that you never repeat them), and begin living according to his plan for your life.

In Acts 3:19 we read: "Repent therefore and be converted, that your sins may be blotted out..." God's record book contains every good and bad thing you have done in your life. The Bible does not teach that repentance erases the bad deeds or that God forgets them, but that it causes them to be blotted out. Think in terms of white-out that you use to cover mistakes in documents. The mistake is still there, but it cannot be seen (and God will never mention it). There is another reference to blotting in the Bible. In Revelation 3:5 we read: "He who overcomes shall be clothed in white garments, and I will not blot out his name from the Book of Life..." In this case, your submission to Christ prevents your name from being blotted out of the Book of Life, which guarantees your admission to heaven.

Do not be deceived. What you think, say and do today will be recorded in God's record book. If you die and go to judgment without accepting Christ as your Savior, all of your sins will be revealed and they will sentence you to hell. If you turn your life over to Christ, your bad deeds will be hidden and never spoken of by God. This is the best deal you will ever find.

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