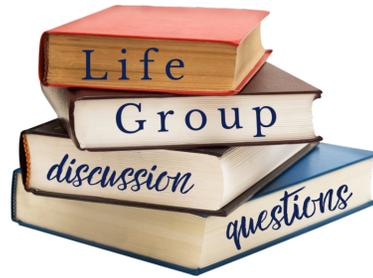


## OPENING DISCUSSION

How can you know you are really saved?

What are the marks of a true Christian?



## SERMON

According to Jesus, what is the mark of a true believer? Does this surprise you?

What evidence do the people in the story give that makes them think they have a relationship with Jesus? Why are their works insufficient?

What is the Father's will for His people?

Why is it so important we don't mistake Jesus' requirements for works?

What is significant about Jesus not only dismissing people who thought they were following Him, but also declaring that He never knew them in the first place?

## APPLICATION

How does this passage make you feel about your relationship with Jesus? How can we reflect deeply on our relationship with God without being fearful?

What does it mean to do "the will of the Father?"

How can we keep in balance the call to be confident in our relationship with Jesus while still making sure we are actually saved?

How is it possible to do things in Jesus' name and not actually have a relationship with Him?

Whenever we do something we think is for Jesus, how can we make sure our heart is right?

Read Philippians 2:12. What does this passage add to our understanding of what Jesus was saying in Matthew 7:21-23?

Are you confident in your relationship with Jesus? Does anything need to change?

Not a part of a Life Group at North Hills? Visit the church website and check out the different groups currently meeting. When you see one that interests you, click on the link provided and know that everyone will be glad you came!  
<https://church.north-hills.org/connect/small-group-ministry>

# NORTH HILLS CHURCH

- 4/24/22 -

Authentic

Not everyone who says to me, "Lord, Lord," will enter the kingdom of heaven, but the one who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. On that day many will say to me, "Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and cast out demons in your name, and do many mighty works in your name?" And then will I declare to them, "I never knew you; depart from me, you workers of lawlessness."

*Matthew 7:21-23 (ESV)*

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## *Inauthentic: False Security*

Matthew 7:21-23

### **AUTHENTIC PRINCIPLE:**

Make \_\_\_\_\_ you're really \_\_\_\_\_.

1. Our \_\_\_\_\_ don't tell our \_\_\_\_\_ story. (Matthew 7:21)

2. \_\_\_\_\_ actions devoid of a \_\_\_\_\_ heart mean nothing. (Matthew 7:22)

3. We \_\_\_\_\_ all one day stand before \_\_\_\_\_. (Matthew 7:23)

### **RESPONSE:**

Are you \_\_\_\_\_ in your relationship with \_\_\_\_\_?

**Read the entire Bible chronologically in a year**

See the church newsletter for this week's Bible reading passages.

<https://church.north-hills.org/newsletters/weekly-newsletter>



Join us on Saturday, May 7, at 7:30 p.m. to hear one of America's funniest clean comedians, **Dennis Gaxiola**. Dennis is a preacher's son and Air Force veteran, with over 20 National Television appearances, including Comedy Central's Laffapalooza with Jamie Foxx, Stand up Revolution with Gabriel Iglesias, STARZ Networks First Amendment Stand Up, TBN's Praise The Lord Comedy Specials, Showtime at the Apollo, BET's Comic View, Que Locos, and more. Adult tickets are \$25.00; 18 and under are \$15.00. Seating is limited. You can go to the church website to purchase tickets.

### Outdoor Children's Ministry on Sunday mornings

Parents and guardians, we ask that you go to the **main entrance** of the Worship Center to check your child in. After service, please go to the Preschool Playground in a timely fashion to check your child out. While our Sunday morning Children's Worship is designed for children, it is not mandatory children attend. Parents and guardians are welcome to keep their children with them in the Worship Center if they prefer.

### The FAMILY ROOM

***Want a place to go during the worship service when your young one is crying?***

***Want a place to go when your newborn needs to be fed?***

***Want a place to go where the service can be watched?***

***The Family Room has been designed especially for you!***

The Family Room (located on the first floor by the wooden double doors) is for parents who want to care for their children yet do not want to miss out on what is happening in the Worship Center. Parents, we invite you to come inside and make yourself at home.

We also have another room for parents. It is located on the second floor. It is a larger room where children can play and parents can watch the service as it is live streamed. The room next door has a restroom. Please feel free to use it and let us know if there is anything you need.

Parents, we are so glad you are here at North Hills. It is an honor and joy to serve you and your children. May God bless you today.

### Communication Cards and Offering Envelopes

At the **main entrance** and **senior parking lot entrance** of the Worship Center, you will find special new boxes when you leave today. If you have filled out a Communication Card or Offering Envelope, please insert them into either of the boxes (please note the boxes will remain out for 15 minutes after the service). For those who prefer to contribute online, simply go to north-hills.org and click on Support NH or text GIVE to (707) 289-7600.