

The Subversive Jesus: Presumption

Matthew 7:21-23

Not everyone who says to me, "Lord, Lord," will enter the kingdom of heaven, but only he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven. Many will say to me on that day, "Lord, Lord, did we not prophesy in your name, and in your name drive out demons and perform miracles?" Then I will tell them plainly, "I never knew you. Away from me, you evildoers!"

1. What do you think it means to truly know God?
What do you think it means to be known by God?

Read Matthew 7:21-23

2. What did the "evildoers" presume about themselves and the works they had accomplished? Instead of being presumptuous in their actions, how could they have behaved more in line with the will of God?
3. Do Christians need to worry about this?
4. What external actions and behaviors are not necessarily evidence of faith in Christ? Which ones are?
5. How do you guard against missing God's intent?