

Matters for Prayer

- Lael and Laura Luxford, South Sudan
- Australian Christian Lobby
- Jacob Damkani, Trumpet of Salvation, Israel
- Young Life • Missionary Aviation Fellowship (MAF)
- Island Gospel Ministries, Bohol, Philippines
- Maranatha Christian School, Talibon, Philippines
- Creation Ministries International • Herald of Hope
- Sri Lankan Fellowship • Korean Fellowship
- Those sick amongst the fellowship
- That the Gospel will continue to be proclaimed through Capital Bible Church
- Matthew Khanzadeh with his ministry into Afghanistan and Iran

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- CBC Statement of faith
- Links to missions supported
- Online Sunday morning messages

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Proclaiming Christ, Teaching and Living in
the Word of God

Newsletter – June 2023



*Looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher
of our faith*
Hebrews 12:2

Please join us on Sunday for the service

A question that has arisen in the church is:

Does Matthew 7:21-23 mean that believers can lose salvation?

From <https://www.gotquestions.org/Matthew-7-21-23.html>

The two questions most frequently asked about [Matthew 7:21-23](#) come about because the verses seem to contradict two strongly held beliefs—one cannot lose his salvation and anyone who performs miracles must be from God. As we will see, one of these beliefs is based on scriptural truth and the other is not. While the true believer cannot [lose his salvation](#), not all miracles are performed by true believers.

Jesus is speaking here near the end of His [Sermon on the Mount](#) (chapters 5—7). Beginning in verse 13, Jesus discourses at length on the subject of true faith vs. false professions, using the technique of contrast and comparison. Verses 13-14 describe two paths on which people walk through life, the broad road that leads to eternal destruction and the narrow path that leads to eternal life. He introduces here the concept of the “many” and the “few” that He will return to in verses 21-2. All will be seeking to enter the kingdom of heaven, but some will be turned away and will react in utter confusion and disappointment as what they thought was their “ticket” to heaven turns out to be worthless. These are those who prophesied in the name of Jesus, meaning either foretelling things to come or preaching the Word in His name. They have even performed miraculous acts such as driving out demons and perhaps healings and other miracles, but all to no avail. Their works were done for their own glory, not His, and were nothing more than “filthy rags” ([Isaiah 64:6](#)). In contrast, those who will enter heaven will not do so based on their miraculous achievements and accomplishments or works of any sort. They will have eternal life solely on the basis of obedience to the will of God ([Matthew 7:21](#))—which is to believe in God’s Son.

Then if these do not belong to God and never did, how do we explain their ability to perform miracles? Can those who do not have the Spirit actually cast out demons and perform miraculous healings and spectacular signs and wonders? There are two possible explanations for the ability of the ungodly to perform such acts. One is that some miracles are done by the power of Satan and his demonic host. Second, it’s possible that God, in His sovereign will and for His purposes, will empower unbelievers to perform miraculous deeds. An example is [Judas Iscariot](#) who, along with the other disciples, preached the gospel and we assume healed the sick and performed other miracles. There is nothing to indicate that Judas didn’t have the same power as the other eleven, although he was never a true disciple of Christ. He was a deceiver and the “son of perdition” ([John 17:12](#)).

June 2023, at Capital Bible Church

Date	Time	Event
Sunday, 4 th June	9.30 am	Family Prayer October
	10 am	Family Worship Service speaker: Karl Irving Speaking on 1 Thessalonians 5 The Day of the Lord
Tuesday, 6 th June	7.30pm	Prayer Meeting at the church
Sunday, 11 th June	9.30 am	Family Prayer
	10am	Family Worship Service Speaker: Ian Daley Speaking on 2 Thessalonians 1 Divine Retribution of the Lord's Return
Tuesday, 13 th June	7.30pm	Prayer Meeting at the church
Sunday, 18 th June	9.30 am	Family Prayer
	10am	Family Worship Service Speaker: Steve Hilly Speaking on 2 Thess 2:1-12 The Rise of the Antichrist
Tuesday, 20 th June	7.30pm	Creation Meeting at the church
Sunday 25 th June	10am	Family Worship Service Speaker: Karl Irving Speaking on 2 Thess 2:13-3:18 Christianity in Practice
Tuesday, 27 th June	7.00pm	Prayer Meeting at the church
Sunday, 2 nd July	10am	Family Worship Service Speaker: Ian Daley Speaking on TBA

See also: www.cbc.sn.au/calendar

* Tuesday & Thursday Night Bible Studies – See Karl Irving for Details

* Women’s Bible Study- Thursday mornings – See Judy Irving for details.

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