## "Christ's Judgment Call" Matthew 7: 21-23 Pastor John Bott

In Matthew 7:21, Christ makes a shocking statement as to whether or not certain people are going to go to Heaven: *Not everyone who thinks they are* going *to Heaven really is.* This passage speaks to us about the most critical moment in eternity for all of us...the instant in time when we find out whether He will *receive us* or *reject us*; whether we will spend eternity in Heaven or Hell. It tells us that *people are entering into eternity deceived about their true spiritual condition.* Many find out their true standing before God on that future day, but God wants you to know it now. Because your eternity is at stake, you must make sure that you possess eternal life!

- I. Christ gives a warning about that future day. Matt. 7:21
- II. Christ opens a window into that future day. Matt. 7:22-23
  - A. The Sovereign Judge (James 4:12; Acts 17:30-31; John 5:22)
  - B. The surprised subjects
  - C. The saddest words ever heard
- III. Christ tells us the only **way** to be secure on that future day. Matt. 7:21