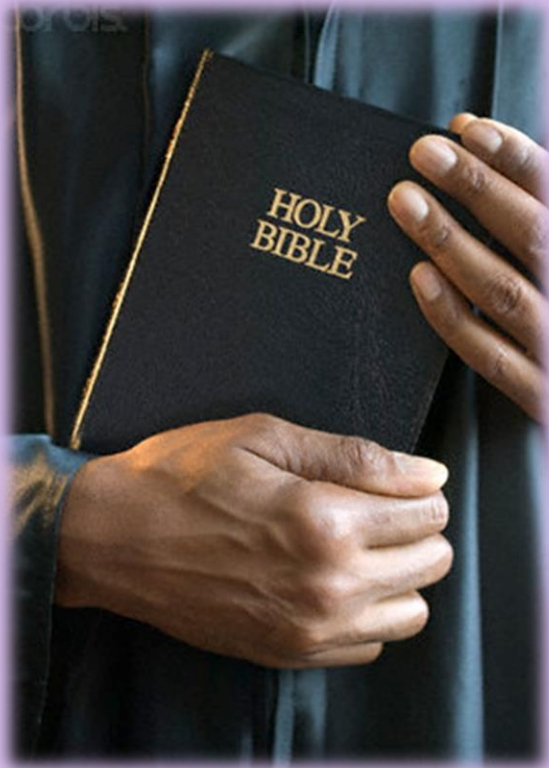


# Lost Religious People



**Religious:  
but  
religiously wrong**

# Pharisees

- **Very religious sect of people**
  - Children of hell
    - **Matthew 23:15**
  - They say and do not do
    - **Matthew 23:3**
  - Works done to be seen of men
    - **Matthew 23:5**
  - Kingdom of God shut
    - **Matthew 23:13**



# Pharisees

- **Very religious sect of people**
  - Prayers are for false showing
    - **Matthew 23:14**
  - Omitted what was important
    - **Matthew 23:23**
  - Strained at gnats
    - **Matthew 23:24**
  - Hypocrites
    - **Matthew 23:28**



# Another Pharisee

- **Prayed, fasted, gave tithes**

- **Luke 18:9-14**

- He was lost

- Trusted in himself (v9)

- Exalted himself (v14)



“Trust in the LORD with all your heart,  
and lean not on your own understanding”

**Proverbs 3:5**

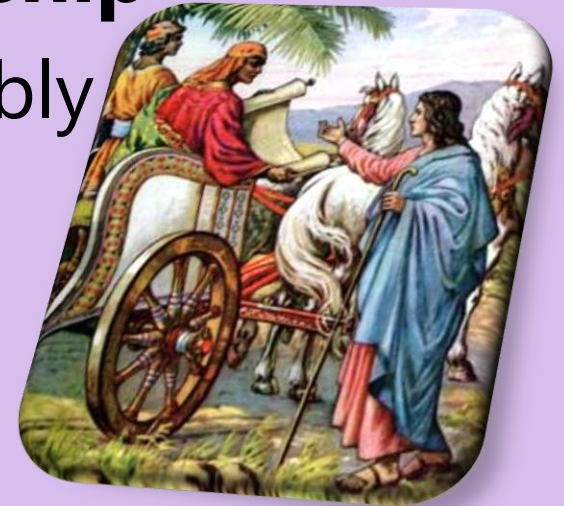
# Saul of Tarsus



- **Religious man – but not saved**
  - Acts 22:10-16
- **Confidence in the flesh does not save**
  - Philippians 3:4-7
- **Had to respond to Ananias' words**
  - Acts 22:16
- **He was lost as long as he continued to try to keep the law of Moses**

# The Eunuch

- **Religious – he went to worship**
  - Men can worship unacceptably
    - **Matthew 15:9**
- **Read the scriptures (v28)**
- **He was lost**
  - Not obeyed the gospel plan of salvation
- **Zeal without knowledge is unacceptable**
  - **Romans 10:1-3**



# Cornelius

- **Devout, feared God, gave alms, prayed**
  - **Acts 10**
  - Still was NOT saved
    - **UNTIL** baptized (v48)
- **We must hear the word and respond to it**
  - **James 1:22-23**



# Church at Laodicea

- **They were lost**
  - **Revelation 3:14-22**
  - **LUKEWARM**
    - Thought they were saved because they **“seemed”** religious





# CONCLUSION

- **Many religious people will be disappointed at the judgment day**
  - **Matthew 7:21-23**
- **A religious person is not necessarily a saved person**
  - Only those who obey Jesus will have salvation
  - **Hebrews 5:9**

