Questions, Questions, Questions!

**Read:** Hebrews 2:1-3

**Texts:** Acts 16:30b “…what must I do to be saved?”

Matthew 27:22 “What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?”

Hebrews 2:3a “How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?”

**Introduction:** For each question there is an opposite question that will enable us to see the original question more clearly.

I. The Question Only God Can Answer

Acts 16:30b “…what must I do to be saved?” Opposing question:

What must I do to be lost? There is a peaceful lake above Niagara

Falls. A man in a rowboat was fishing on that lake and stopped to eat

lunch and then laid back and fell asleep. His boat drifted toward the

falls and although people on the shore were yelling at the top of their

lungs he did not hear them and lost his life as he drifted over the falls.

The only thing that the man had to do to lose his life was to remain

asleep and do nothing. The answer to this question is found in John 3:3

where Jesus says: “Verily, verily, I say unto thee, Except a man be

born again, he cannot see the kingdom of God.” All it takes to be lost is to do nothing. You and I are already lost. To be saved one must be born again.

II. The Question Only You Can Answer

Matthew 27:22 Pilate asks the question: “What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?” Opposing question: What shall I *not* do with Jesus which is called Christ? What did Pilates’ wife tell him to do with Christ? She said: “Have thou nothing to do with that just man…” Is that the answer? Did his wife have it right? “What shall I do with Christ?” “Have nothing to do with Him!” Sadly that is what most of the secular world is doing with Christ: they are ignoring Him. We relegate Him to a remote corner of our world until we are in trouble and then we call Him up and demand that He do something to help us out. How many people in New York City awoke on September 11th 2001 with serious thoughts about the need for God’s protection? How about by 9:00 am? It is possible that there were more prayers prayed that day than any other in American history. How long did it take for God to be placed back in the corner again? Here is the question: what will you do with Jesus?

III. The Question With no Answer

Hebrews 2:3a “How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?” Opposing question: How shall we remain in bondage if we accept so great salvation? In this instance both questions leave you with the same response. There is no answer for there is no way to escape the bondage of sin unless we accept His offer of salvation. There is no way to remain in bondage when we accept His offer of salvation.

**Conclude:** We have asked three questions. The first is answerable by God: “…what must I do to be saved?” The second is for you to answer: “What shall I do then with Jesus which is called Christ?” and the third is unanswerable: “How shall we escape, if we neglect so great salvation?” So the question I have for you this morning is the only one that you can answer: What will you do with Christ?