

# Religion is Manure

Philippians 3:4-7

**Introduction:** Salvation is an exchange - Matthew 16:24-26

- I. **Salvation is not by Rite - "circumcised the 8th day"**
  - A. The Explanation
  - B. The Example of baptism
  
- II. **Salvation is not by Race - "of the stock of Israel"**
  - A. The Explanation
  - B. The Example of covenant children
  
- III. **Salvation is not by Rank - "of the tribe of Benjamin"**
  - A. The Explanation
  - B. The Example of Masons and others
  
- IV. **Salvation is not by Rituals - "a Hebrew of the Hebrews"**
  - A. The Explanation
  - B. The Example of contemporary observances and practices
  
- V. **Salvation is not by Religion - "concerning the law, a Pharisee"**
  - A. The Explanation - Acts 22:1-3 , 26:4-5
  - B. The Example of Religion Today - Colossians 2:9-10
  
- VI. **Salvation is not Reward for Sincerity - "persecuting the church"**
  - A. The Explanation
  - B. The Example of Sincerity Today
  
- VII. **Salvation is not by Righteous Deeds - "blameless"**
  - A. The Explanation
  - B. The Example of Good Deeds Done Today
  
- VIII. **Salvation is by Relationship w/ Christ - Matt 7:21-23**