

give my body to be burned and have not Christ it profits me nothing. If you have a congregation of any size there is apt to be someone there who has not put his trust in Christ. There is apt to be someone there--he may seem to have been a believer for years but if he ~~is~~ does not realize that it is only through what Jesus Christ did on Calvary's cross, and gave himself for us that that's the way to be saved. Nothing else matters if we don't have that. You're not preaching the Gospel (unless you give that message). I wonder if it is a Christian sermon if it does not somewhere in the course of it--it does not have to be the main thing, I think it often should be. But always there should be something in it somewhere that Jesus Christ died to save sinners and whosoever puts his trust in Him can be saved.

Trust in the Lord and do good. Trust in the Lord from the first. Trust in the Lord in the middle. Trust in the Lord in the end. When you come to the end of life, look back and perhaps God has been using you tremendously. Perhaps <sup>circumstances</sup> events there have prevented you from seeing much fruit that you can see but if you have run in such a way as to seek to win the prize; if you become all things to all men because you were not so worried about your \_\_\_\_\_ as you were about winning people to know Christ, and follow him, you can trust the Lord to give you the prize that lasts forever. Let us pray:

Father we thank you we begin by trusting Christ, we continue by trusting Christ, and we finish by trusting Christ. Thank you for teaching us also it is our duty to be good and to live lives that are honoring to the Word of God and to Christ