

Rich McCall – Testimony

Good morning, my name is Rich McCall. I would like to thank all of my family and friends for being here. I also want to thank pastor Josh for giving me this opportunity to be baptized.

My life before I trusted in Jesus was out of control due to my abuse of drugs, sexual immorality and discontentment. I wasn't the leader, father, son or man I was called to be. I lacked empathy, caring, and all around humility.

I have since learned that God hates sin and He wants me to dedicate my life to not being a sinner. My view of sin differed from God's view in that I could do some kind of good works to compensate for my wrong doing without repentance, when actually He calls for repentance where I actively turn away from my sins and to Christ.

The commandments have shown me the seriousness of my sins and that God has expectations of me to meet and if I don't the punishment will surely be death. Fortunately, through attending Lighthouse regularly and gaining biblical truths, I realized I needed to be saved!! Jesus suffered dearly to cover for all my sins and in turn I was offered the most valuable gift which is to go to heaven by being saved and attempting to walk in our Lord Jesus Christ's footsteps with delight. Furthermore, through being saved I have discovered peace by no longer chasing the dollar, I now chase after our Almighty Lord. God has taken the want for sin out of my life through prayer and obedience. He has changed my attitude towards my job by submitting to my boss and becoming a more levelheaded reliable employee. I work as if I were working for Jesus Himself. I approach life fearlessly, worry and stress free knowing I can trust in the Lord for all things. The Lord has impacted me in many ways as far as thinking less of myself and more of others ultimately becoming a better father, brother, son and follower of Jesus Christ. In conclusion, the bible verse I lean on for encouragement the most is Psalm 1:1-3:

“Blessed *is* the man that walketh not in the counsel of the ungodly, Nor standeth in the way of sinners, Nor sitteth in the seat of the scornful, But his delight *is* in the law of the Lord; And in his law doth he meditate day and night. And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, That bringeth forth his fruit in his season; His leaf also shall not wither; And whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.”

