

ESSENTIAL TRUTH #10 - God's gospel requires a response that has eternal consequences. We believe that God commands everyone everywhere to believe the gospel by turning to Him in repentance and receiving the Lord Jesus Christ.

Way #1	Way #2
How do I get on, and stay on, the way that leads to life?	

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Additional Notes:	

Reflection & Application

Take a moment to prayerfully consider the following questions.

What is one thing I learned about God today?

Why does this matter?

How might knowing this affect the way I live?

Going Deeper

Take some time this week to discuss these questions with others.

- 1. If you were to define the word, "Hypocrisy" how would you define it?
- 2. The audience that Jesus is speaking to included the Pharisees, whom Jesus calls hypocrites. In what ways were the Pharisees hypocritical? Scan through the Sermon on the Mount (Matthew 5-7) and see if you can find any clues.
- 3. What might hypocrisy look like today?
- 4. Why do you think hypocrisy is a threat to the Gospel?
- 5. How does knowing the context of the Sermon on the Mount—that Jesus was speaking to a crowd heavily influenced by hypocrisy—affect our understanding of who might be on the wide road (described by Jesus in Matthew 7:13-14)?
- 6. It seems by Jesus' interactions that hypocrisy requires a firm confrontational word. Why do you think that is?
- 7. How is the narrow road described in Matthew 7:13-14? How is following Jesus the opposite of hypocrisy?