



**Introduction:**

- A. Zacchaeus Luke 19:108
- B. Paul Acts 24:16

**I. What Does it Mean to Have a Clear Conscience?**

- A. There is no \_\_\_\_\_ in our fellowship with God and Others.
- B. We are careful to avoid sinning against God or others with our \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. When we do sin, we \_\_\_\_\_ repent, admit our failures to all offended parties, ask their forgiveness and make whatever restitution is necessary.

**II. How Important is a Clear Conscience (Matthew 5:23-24)**

- A. More important than our worship or giving.

**III. How to Go About Getting a Clear Conscience.**

- A. Make a list.
  - 1. Is your conscience clear with your family?
  - 2. Is your conscience clear with your church family?
  - 3. Is your conscience clear with the unbelieving world?
  - 4. Is your conscience clear in your workplace?
  - 5. Is your conscience clear from your past?
- B. Seek God's forgiveness first.

**IV. Reasons to Have a Clear Conscience**

- A. God's word \_\_\_\_\_ it.
- B. It brings \_\_\_\_\_ from bondage and conflict.
- C. It is a channel through which love flows.
- D. It brings about development and growth.
- E. Without it the ability to discern right and wrong is gone.

**V. Biblical Parameter for Confession**

- A. The scope of the confession should be as large as the scope of the transgression.
  - 1. Private sin should be confessed privately.
  - 2. Personal sin should be confessed personally.
  - 3. Public sin should be confessed publicly.
- B. Will you please forgive me for \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. The best way to obey.
  - 1.
  - 2.
  - 3.

**Conclusion:**

**Obstacles to Obtaining a Clear Conscience**

- 1. It happened too long ago.
- 2. They have moved away.
- 3. It's such a small thing.
- 4. Things have gotten better.
- 5. It will cost me money.
- 6. I'll do it later.
- 7. The other person was mostly wrong.
- 8. They're not a Christian.
- 9. I was right, they were wrong.
- 10. It happened before I was saved.

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