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I AM A CHRISTIAN

In the mass shooting at Umpqua Community College in Roseburg, Oregon, the 26 year old murderer demanded that the students stand and state if they were a Christian, If they confessed their faith in Christ, he killed them. We hear of people of faith who face persecution around the world. Pastors are imprisoned in Iran and ISIS just murdered 12 more Christians this month for refusing to renounce their faith in Christ. Now, it appears that hate-filled people are targeting Christians here in the States.

Someone asked the question, if you were to be arrested for being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you??

Question - what is a Christian? A dictionary definition of a Christian would be something similar to "a person professing belief in Jesus as the Christ". While that is a good starting point, like many dictionary definitions, it falls short of what it really means to be a Christian. The word "Christian" is used three times in the New Testament. "And when he had found him, he brought him unto Antioch. And it came to pass, that a whole year they assembled themselves with the church, and taught much people. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch." Acts 11:26. "Then Agrippa said unto Paul, Almost thou persuadest me to be a Christian." Acts 26:28. "Yet if any man suffer as a Christian, let him not be ashamed; but let him glorify God on this behalf." I Peter 4:16.

The word "Christian" has lost a lot of its significance and is used of someone who is religious and has high moral values. Many people who do not believe and trust Jesus Christ consider themselves Christian simply because they go to church or they live in a "Christian" nation. Being a member of a church, attending services regularly, giving to good causes does not make you a Christian.

What then is a Christian? A Christian is a person who has repented of their sins and has put their faith in the person and work of Jesus Christ upon the cross as payment for their sin and His resurrection on the third day. As a result of that, your life is changed and you are living for Christ day by day.

Can you say? Would you say? I AM A CHRISTIAN!!

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Schedule:

Oct 4-7	First Baptist Church	Dyer TN
Oct 11	Sweat Memorial Baptist Church	Waycross GA
Oct 12-14	Buford Grove Baptist Church	Hilliard FL
Oct 18-21	Trinity Baptist Church	Augusta GA Bible Conference
Oct 25-27	Upstate Bible Conference	Simpsonville SC Bible Conference
Nov 1-4	Clear Springs Baptist Church	Corryton TN
Nov 8	West Point Baptist Church	Jacksonville AL
Nov 15-18	Wears Vally First Baptist Church	Sevierville TN
Nov 22	Harvest Baptist Tabernacle	Jonesboro GA
Nov 29	Holly Springs Baptist Church	Anniston AL
Dec 6-8	First Baptist Church	Columbus TX
Dec 13	Anderson Mill Baptist Church	Austin TX

