

TEXT: JOHN 10:22-42

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Redeemer Institute** – Registration is open for the Spring 2020 classes: Christian Theology and Old Testament Survey. Registration closes December 15. Register at www.redeemerchurch.com/institute
 - **December Dates to Remember:**
 - **Gospel Summit** - We are having a Gospel Summit next Sunday, December 8th at 5:30 PM. Together we will learn more about how to think about the end times. Afterwards we will enjoy good food together. The church will provide the drinks. We are asking everyone to bring an appetizer. You can bring a dessert too if you'd like. Childcare will be provided.
 - **Christmas Eve Service** – December 24th at 4pm.
 - **Parent Commissioning** – Our next parent commissioning is Sunday, December 15. If you are interested, sign up at: www.redeemerchurch.com/nextsteps.
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Leading Off...

1. Sometimes things in life just demand a response. Does something come to mind from your life experiences?

BIG IDEA: Jesus demands a response.

Read John 10:22-25

2. The Jews are celebrating the reclaiming and re-consecration of the temple. What is significant about this time as you look at these verses?
3. What are the Jews wanting to do to Jesus?
4. Who were the Jews looking for in a Messiah?
5. How does this differ from who Jesus is as the true Messiah? What did they miss?
6. Likewise, how are we tempted, especially at Christmas time, to make Jesus into someone other than He truly is?
7. Therefore, why is it important for us to constantly return to the scriptures to remind ourselves who Jesus truly is?
8. Think about the chart Daniel showed us that showed how Jesus is revealed in every chapter of John to this point. What stands out to you about Jesus' identity as revealed in John?
9. There will always be many who reject who Jesus is. What is to be our response to them?

Read John 10:26-29

10. In verse 26 Jesus tells us why some do not recognize Him for who He truly is. Why is that?
11. In the following verses (27-29), He tells us who are truly His. Who are they? Who are those who truly know Him, who are His sheep as seen in these verses?
12. How does this encourage, convict, or move you?
13. Discuss this quote by J.D. Greear: *"Salvation is truly once saved, always saved. But, it is also once saved, forever following."*

Read John 10:30

14. What is the significance of this statement by Jesus, and what should be our response?

Read John 10:31-39

15. How do the Jews respond to Jesus?
16. In verses 32-38 how does Jesus respond back to the Jews? What stands out to you about Jesus' response?

Read John 10:40-42

17. What are these people's response to Jesus?

Wrapping Up

18. For those of us following Jesus, how can we respond by following Him all the more?