

Reflections *on* Rejection

John 12:35 Then Jesus said to them, A little while longer the light is with you. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you; he who walks in darkness does not know where he is going. ³⁶ While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light. These things Jesus spoke, and departed, and was hidden from them.

Unmoved by the Supernatural

John 12:37 But though he had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not on him:

Luke 16:32 And he said unto them, if they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rose from the dead.

Unconcerned About God's Strength

John 12:38 That the saying of Esaias the prophet might be fulfilled, which he spake, Lord, who hath believed our report? and to whom hath the arm of the Lord been revealed?

Unimpressed by the Spirit

John 12:39 Therefore they could not believe, because that Esaias said again, ⁴⁰ He hath blinded their eyes, and hardened their heart; that they should not see with their eyes, nor understand with their heart, and be converted, and I should heal them. ⁴¹ These things said Esaias, when he saw his glory, and spake of him.

Unwilling to Be Saved

John 12:42 Nevertheless among the chief rulers also many believed on him; but because of the Pharisees they did not confess him, lest they should be put out of the synagogue: ⁴³ For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.