Southside Baptist Church Sunday Morning – 10-5-25 Christianity 103 – Message 3 Part 4 Maybe they should have listened and learned.

1. Introduction:

- a. Taking a look back:
 - 1) As a believer whose life has been changed by the Gospel, as you were living your daily life this past week, were you living it differently because of Jesus?
 - a) Did you function as a believer this past week?
 - b) Were you alert, attentive, available and ready?
 - 2) Truth Convicts.
 - a) Conviction presentation of evidence which proves that you are guilty.
 - b) Repent change of your mind to amend with brokenness for your sins.
 - c) Acts 20:21 repentance toward God and faith toward our Lord Jesus Christ.
 - d) "be converted that your sins may be blotted out."
 - e) "times of refreshing" -
 - f) Application -
- b. Taking a look ahead:
 - 1) Praying for the lost –
 - 2) How well is Jesus known in our day? What do people believe about Jesus?
 - a) We gain some valuable insight by the answer.
 - 3) People know about Jesus, but I wonder how many people truly know Jesus.
 - a) Matthew 7:21-23 -
- 2. This Jesus is REAL! Acts 3:20-26
 - a. Jesus wasn't a stranger to them.
 - 1) Jesus was not foreign to them. Verse 20
 - 2) When Jesus ascended after His resurrection, He went back to Heaven and is seated at the right hand of the throne of God. He is seated because His work is complete.
 - b. Verse 21 -
 - 1) "Whom the heaven must receive" -
 - 2) It was important for Jesus to ascend and for us to understand why.
 - a) Acts 1:9 -
 - b) John 16:7 –
 - c) Ephesians 1:19-23 -
 - d) I John 2:1-2 –
 - 3) "until the times of restitution of all things"
 - a) "restitution" restoration.
 - 4) "which God hath spoken by the mouth of all his holy prophets" –
 - c. Verse 22 -
 - 1) Do they remember Moses?
 - a) What did Moses tell them? Deut. 18:15 and Deut. 18:18-19
 - b) Do you see the truth?
 - c) "shall ye hear in all things..." to "hear" is to yield to, hear and obey.
 - d) Who were they listening to?
- 3. Reality check.

- a. Verse 23 -
 - 1) Remember, "hear" yield to, obey.
 - 2) "destroyed from among the people" cut off from God's people and eternally separated from God.
 - 3) Application
 - a) Is there a problem with our hearing?
 - b) If Jesus saw the value of a soul to the point that He would leave heaven and come to die, then how can we not also see and respond to the values of a soul?
- b. Verse 24 -
 - 1) Challenging verse to translate.
 - 2) What days?
- c. Verse 25 -
 - 1) "Ye are the children of the prophets" -
 - 2) Remember what God said to Abraham?
 - 3) The plan was for the Jewish Nation to be a light to the world.
- d. Verse 26 -
 - 1) Jesus came first to the lost sheep of the house of Israel. Matthew 15:24
 - a) Acts 13:46 -
 - b) Romans 1:16 -
 - 2) "in turning away everyone of you from his iniquities."
 - a) Of all the religions of the world, Jesus is the only one who identifies the issue man has with sin, addresses it in our life, deals with it on the Cross, and then offers to every person freedom through Him from the penalty of sin.
- 4. Today's Take Away:
 - a. What is the value of a soul to you?
 - b. Do you know Jesus personally as your Savior?
 - c. Is there a problem with our hearing today?