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GOSPEL OF JOHN SERIES – 78 "LIFTING UP CHRIST" John 12:27-36

INTRODUCTION

Christ's being lifted up on the cross should cause you to believe in Him while you still have time.

1. The anguish of Christ's being lifted up was because He would bear God's wrath for our sins (John 12:27).

3 applications:

- 1. The doctrine of justification by faith alone means that our sins were imputed to Him and His righteousness was imputed to us the instant that we believed in Him.
- 2. Since our sins caused our loving Savior so much anguish and pain, we should hate our sins and fight every day to kill them.
- 3. When you're struggling with powerful emotions, it is always right to submit your feelings to God's purpose to glorify Himself.

Remember...

Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to constantly apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Phil. 2:12-13; 1 Tim. 4:7-9; Jam 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?

How can I accomplish this change?

What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

2. The aim of Christ's being lifted up was to glorify the Father (John 12:28-30).

3x in Jesus' ministry that the Father spoke out of heaven: His baptism, transfiguration, and here.

3. The aftermath of Christ's being lifted up was that the world is judged, Satan will be cast out, and Jesus will draw all people to Himself (John 12:31-33).

Results of the cross:

- A. The world is judged.
- B. Satan will be cast out.

"the ruler of this world" - Satan (John 14:30; 16:11).

- C. Jesus is drawing all people to Himself.
- 4. The appeal of Christ's being lifted up is that we should believe in Him while we still have time (John 12:34-36b).

3 applications:

- 1. Be careful how you ask questions of the Lord.
- 2. Believe in Christ while you still can!
- 3.Be willing to let God change you by confronting your sins.