



**GOSPEL OF JOHN SERIES – 77**  
**"CHRIST'S SOUL IS TROUBLED"**

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.*