Series "Jesus: God And Savior" "Son Of God-Savior" John 10:22-42 Part-38

John 1:11-12

John 11 – Jesus is going to raise his friend Lazarus from the grave after 4 days, and even that will not convince the masses to believe.

Jesus says it as clearly as He can: John 10:36 - "I am the Son of God"

3X in our passage it says **you do not believe:**

John 10:25 - "I told you, and you do not believe;"

John 10:26 - "But you do not believe,"

John 10:38 - "though you do not believe Me,"

Jesus is "The Door," "The Good Shepherd," now "The Son Of God/Savior."

Thought Of Our Passage: Unbelief Refuses To Believe Evidence And Truth About Jesus Because The Sinner Loves Sin More Than Truth.

- 1. Verses 22-30 Jesus, The Savior
- 2. Verses 31-39 Jesus, The Son Of God
- 3. Verses 40-42 Jesus' Departure And Acceptance

1. Verses 22-30 - Jesus, The Savior:

John 10:22

"At that time" – there is a gap between verse 21 and verse 22. John 8-10:21 were events before, during and the day after the Feast of Tabernacles (John 7:2), early October; About 2-3-month gap.

Feast of the Dedication took place at Jerusalem; 164 BC, when Judas Maccabeus came against the Syrian emperor Antiochus Epiphanes; period of 167-164 BC, the temple had been defiled. They had slaughtered a pig on the altar. The lamp stayed lit for 8 days, so they could make the oil for the lamp stand. Hanukkah is that feast of lights.

John 10:23-24

"The Jews" - Religious Leaders.

"gathered" – "encircled," Pharisee.

The things Jesus said 3 months ago were fresh on their minds! Jesus even refers back to the subject of "The Good Shepherd and Sheep," John 10:26-27 – "My sheep"

"tell us plainly." – Or "tell us publicly." Jesus had revealed He was God, John 5:18; 10:33. This was so they could arrest Him.

Jesus has claimed to be "The Great I AM," Exodus 3:14.

They did not need more information. What they really needed was to humble themselves, repent and believe.

John 10:25

His Words: (Your Ears Are Blocked) "Jesus answered them, 'I told you, and you do not believe;" – Clearly spoken and declared, John 5:17, 8:12, 24, 58.

"you do not believe;" – 3X, Verses 25, 26, 38. What we are dealing with here is the sin of unbelief which is an act of the human will.

His Works: (Are Your Eyes Blocked Too?) "the works that I do in My Father's name, these testify of Me."

"My Father's name" – A name stood for what you were: Reputation and character, Who He is, All that the Father symbolizes and stands for, His essence.

John 10:26

To be part of His flock, we need to believe (Human). "believe" – "to entrust one's spiritual well-being to Christ, commit (to trust), put in trust with."

Verses 27-28 – John Gives 6 Marks Of A Genuine Believer:

John 10:27 – "My sheep hear My voice, and I know them, and they follow Me;"

- (Sensitivity) The Sheep Hear His Voice "My sheep hear My voice,"
- 2. (Fellowship) I Know Them "and I know them,"
- 3. (Obedience) The Sheep Follow Him "and they follow Me;"

Matthew 16:24

2 Timothy 2:19

John 10:28

4. (Life) The Sheep Receive Eternal Life – "and I give eternal life to them," – "I keep on giving to them eternal life."

5. (Assurance) The Sheep Will Never Perish – "and they will never perish;"

Christians may lose their joy, their usefulness, their fellowship, their eternal rewards, but they cannot lose their eternal life!

6. (Security) The Sheep Are Secure In Jesus – "and no one shall snatch them out of My hand."

"Snatch" – "attack," speaks of aggression or violence; The wolf attack.

Romans 8:31-39

John 10:29

Jesus now answers their question that they asked Him in John 10:24 – "If You are the Christ, tell us plainly."

John 10:30 – "One" – Greek, it is neuter, not one person but "one in essence, or We are one being."

2. Verses 31-39 - Jesus, The Son Of God:

John 10:31 – This is the 4^{th} time they tried to stone Him – John 5:16-18; 7:1; 8:59.

John 10:32-33

"You, being a man, make Yourself out to be God ." – This is the bottom line of Christianity.

Verses 34-39 - Unanswerable Logic: John 10:34.

"written in your Law" - He is referring to the whole of Scripture.

Psalms 82:6 – God called the Judges of Israel "Elohim," gods. Israel's leaders were to represent God; act in His place to dispense His justice to the nations.

John 10:35-36

"do you say of Him, (Jesus) whom the Father sanctified that means set apart."

"You are blaspheming,' because I said, 'I am the Son of God'?" – Why would the term "Son of God" be out of line, considering God called men "gods?"

John 10:37 – "If My Life Does Not Match Up With My Words Don't Believe Me."

John 10:38-39

3. Verses 40-42 – Jesus' Departure And Acceptance:

John 10:40

"to the place where John was first baptizing, and He was staying there." – Perea is about 18-20 miles from Jerusalem.

John 10:41

John 4:41-42 – Samaritans believed Jesus' Words without signs!

John 10:42

John 1:12

Application:

- 1. People Often Times Don't Need More Information About Jesus. What They Really Need Is To Humble Themselves, Repent And Believe: We are sinners lost and going to hell, we need Jesus the Savior!
- 2. The Evidence And Proof Of Jesus Being The Son Of God/Savior Is His Words And His Works. If His Life Does Not Match Up With His Words Don't Believe In Him. Since They Do, We Must Believe.
- 3. Genuine Christians May Lose Their Joy, Their Usefulness, Their Fellowship, Their Eternal Rewards, But They Cannot Lose Their Eternal Life, Because The Life Is Eternal.