

Message Notes

"An indepth look at unbelief"

Scripture Passages

(taken from the New Revised Standard Version)

Introduction - *"Why are you always judging me?...I believe in Science!"*

"He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him"

John 1:11-12

What would it take for the crowd to believe?

John 12:37

The fulfillment of a sobering prophecy

John 12:38-41

Isaiah's vision of Christ

John 12:38, 41 and Isaiah 53

"They could not believe" ~ a Judicial Hardening

John 12:39

The frightening result of unbelief ~ God is OPPOSED to you!

John 12:40-41 and Isaiah 6:8-10

Praise from men versus Praise from God

John 12:42-46

A final plea for all to believe

John 12:47-50

What a minute! Why didn't (don't) people believe?

A look at the sin of unbelief

Genesis 2:16, 17 and Genesis 3:1-8

Romans 1:16-25

Application - *"Do you believe?"*

John 1:11, 12

¹¹He came to that which was his own, but his own did not receive him. ¹²Yet to all who received him, to those who believed in his name, he gave the right to become children of God.

John 12:37-50

³⁷Even after Jesus had done all these miraculous signs in their presence, they still would not believe in him.

³⁸This was to fulfill the word of Isaiah the prophet: "Lord, who has believed our message and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?" ³⁹For this reason they could not believe, because, as Isaiah says elsewhere: ⁴⁰"He has blinded their eyes and deadened their hearts, so they can neither see with their eyes, nor understand with their hearts, nor turn—and I would heal them." ⁴¹Isaiah said this because he saw Jesus' glory and spoke about him.

⁴²Yet at the same time many even among the leaders believed in him. But because of the Pharisees they would not confess their faith for fear they would be put out of the synagogue; ⁴³for they loved praise from men more than praise from God.

⁴⁴Then Jesus cried out, "When a man believes in me, he does not believe in me only, but in the one who sent me. ⁴⁵When he looks at me, he sees the one who sent me. ⁴⁶I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness.

⁴⁷"As for the person who hears my words but does not keep them, I do not judge him. For I did not come to judge the world, but to save it. ⁴⁸There is a judge for the one who rejects me and does not accept my words; that very word which I spoke will condemn him at the last day. ⁴⁹For I did not speak of my own accord, but the Father who sent me commanded me what to say and how to say it. ⁵⁰I know that his command leads to eternal life. So whatever I say is just what the Father has told me to say."

Isaiah 53:1-6

Isaiah 6:8-10

Genesis 2:16, 17

Genesis 3:1-8

Romans 1:16-25