

“The Word That I Have Spoken Shall Judge”

(A Message to Members in the Body of Christ)

(Preached on Wednesday Evening June 3, 2020)

“He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.”

(John 12:48)

To introduce this message which is being preached from this verse of Scripture, here in the Gospel of John, chapter twelve, verse forty-eight, let us see it within the context of its surrounding and introductory verses, here right in the Word of God, as it was meant to be seen.

Look above with us, beginning at verse forty-two, beginning at John 12:42, as we strive to allow God’s Word to explain... God’s word.

“Nevertheless many even of the rulers believed in Him, but because of the Pharisees they were not confessing Him, for fear that they would be put out of the synagogue; for they loved the approval of men rather than the approval of God.

“And Jesus cried out and said, ‘He who believes in Me, does not believe in Me but in Him who sent Me. He who sees Me sees the One who sent Me. I have come as Light into the world, so that everyone who believes in Me will not remain in darkness. If anyone hears My sayings and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world, but to save the world. He who rejects Me and does not receive My sayings, has one who judges him; the word I spoke is what will judge him at the last day. For I did not speak on My own initiative, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me a commandment as to what to say and what to speak. I know that His commandment is eternal life; therefore the things I speak, I speak just as the Father has told Me.” (John 12:42-50)

I. Rejecting Jesus

“He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.” (John 12:48)

A. Background: Not confessing Christ before men

“Whosoever therefore shall confess me before men, him will I confess also before my Father which is in heaven. But whosoever shall deny me before men, him will I also deny before my Father which is in heaven.” (Matthew 10:32-33)

B. Rejecting Jesus by not taking up your cross

“And he that taketh not his cross, and followeth after me, is not worthy of me.” (Matthew 10: 38)

C. Rejecting Jesus by not losing your life

“He that findeth his life shall lose it: and he that loseth his life for my sake shall find it.” (Matthew 10:39)

D. Rejecting Jesus by not receiving him

“He that receiveth you receiveth me, and he that receiveth me receiveth him that sent me.” (Matthew 10:40)

II. Rejecting the words of Jesus

“He that rejecteth me, **and receiveth not my words,** hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.” (John 12:48)

A. To receive his words, you must know when *it is not* his words.

“Beware of false prophets, which come to you in sheep's clothing, but inwardly they are ravening wolves.” (Matthew 7:15)

B. To receive his words, you must know when *it is* his words.

“Ye shall know them by **their fruits**. Do men gather grapes of thorns, or figs of thistles? Even so every **good tree bringeth forth good fruit**; but **a corrupt tree bringeth forth evil fruit**. A good tree cannot bring forth evil fruit, neither can a corrupt tree bring forth good fruit. Every **tree that bringeth not forth good fruit** is hewn down, and cast into the fire. **Wherefore by their fruits ye shall know them.**” (Matthew 7:16-20)

C. To receive his words, you must know them *and* do them.

“Not every one that saith unto me, Lord, Lord, shall enter into the kingdom of heaven; but he that doeth the will of my Father which is in heaven.” (Matthew 7:21)

III. Judged by the rejected words of Jesus

“He that rejecteth me, and receiveth not my words, **hath one that judgeth him: the word that I have spoken, the same shall judge him in the last day.**” (John 12:48)

A. You will *not* be judged by what your church told you to do!

“Many will say to me in that day, Lord, Lord, have we not prophesied in thy name? and in thy name have cast out devils? and in thy name done many wonderful works? And then will I profess unto them, I never knew you: depart from me, ye that work iniquity.” (Matthew 7:23-24)

B. You *will* be judged by what your Savior told you to do!

“Therefore whosoever **heareth these sayings of mine**, and **doeth them**, I will liken him unto **a wise man**, which built his house upon a rock: and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and **it fell not: for it was founded upon a rock**. And every one that **heareth these sayings of mine**, and **doeth them not**, shall be likened unto **a foolish man**, which built his house upon the sand: and the rain descended, and the floods came, and the winds blew, and beat upon that house; and **it fell: and great was the fall of it.**” (Matthew 7:24-27)

Conclusion

The words of Jesus will judge you that day?

- Not your words!
- Not the words of another man or woman!
- The Word of Jesus will judge *you* "in the last day!"

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