

“If You Knew Me, You Would Know My Father ”

Intro: In this mornings text, we read as _____ taught of Himself saying, "I am _____ of the world ..."

A. If you have not come to _____ this truth, then at this very moment determine to _____ intently with a desire to come to the Light, and upon hearing the truth of God's Word, believe that Jesus is the Christ, _____ Him as your Savior and Lord, for He is the Savior and Lord!

B. If you have already come to believe the truth of Christ, having received Him as the Savior and Lord He is, then determine to listen intently that the light of this truth will shine brighter and brighter within you, that you might _____ and Lord all the more.

I. Jesus continued to _____ to the people (men and women) _____ within the temple complex, as He "spoke in the treasury". (cf. vss. 12 & 20)

A. _____ announced that He is _____ of the world.
1. In Isaiah 49:6, the prophet records the Lord saying to the Christ, "... I will also make You a light of the nations so that My salvation may reach to the end of the earth." In Jesus pronouncing that He is the light of the world, He declared that He is the fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy; that _____ of the nations!

2. Jesus taught the people saying that the one who _____ in Him, following Him as His disciple, shall not walk (live) in darkness (sin) for they shall _____ the light of life. They will know the truth and the truth will set them free from the law of sin and death, as they possess everlasting _____.

II. Afraid that the people might respond to the Lord's teaching by following Him, the Pharisees immediately sought to _____ His testimony by claiming that His witness about Himself was not true.

A. The Lord maintained that His _____ about Himself was _____. But, having said that, He continued by presenting evidences of the truthfulness of His testimony, revealing the error of their accusation.

B. Jesus presented Himself as uniquely _____ to speak of Himself for He knew where He had been and where He was going, and they didn't.

C. Jesus told them that their assessment was _____. He previously instructed this _____ not to "judge according to appearance, but [to] judge with righteous judgment" (7:24).

D. Considering what Jesus said: "I am not judging anyone," Pink wrote, "it is more natural and better suited to the context, to ... understand Christ here to mean, I do not _____ any man after the flesh; when I judge it is according to the _____ and divine principles."

E. Jesus told the Pharisees that if and when He _____ that His judgement would be legally _____ for He was not alone, but was one with the _____ in His judgement.

F. While the pharisees tried to employ the law to judge Jesus, making Him out to be a liar, He in turn showed that He and the One who sent Him perfectly _____ the requirements of the _____.

G. Making it clear that His testimony was true and met the standard of the Law Jesus explained that there are _____ who bear witness of Him: 1) _____ bears witness of Himself; and, 2) The Heavenly _____ who sent Jesus bears witness of Him.

III. Instead of admitting their fault and repenting of their sin, and instead of fearing the just and true judgement of the Holy God, the Pharisees _____ in their effort to _____ our Lord by questioning Him about His Father.

A. As Jesus pointed out that they had no basis upon which to judge whether or not He spoke the truth since they didn't know where He had been nor where He was going (vs. 14), here He shows them again that _____ out of _____ in their asking where His Father was for they didn't know Jesus nor His Father.

B. The _____ is crystal-_____: the Father and the Son are One. If one knows the Son, then they know His Father. And, if one knows the Father, then they know His Son!

1. It is as MacArthur writes, "Those who _____ the Son give incontrovertible proof that they _____ the eternal Father."

C. Here is the _____ failure: being lost in the _____ of their sin they refused to come to the light to receive Jesus as the Christ for they did not know His Father.

Closing: As we come near to the end of our time this morning, I ask, "_____ do these things mean _____?"

A. Dear Christian, how shall you _____ this _____ that Jesus is the Light of the world to your life? Consider the instruction of Eph 4:17-24, ... If you believe that Jesus is the Light, then glorify Him by walking in the light; _____!

1. And, further still, if you believe that Jesus is the Light of the World, then tell the world! Consider your Lord's instruction! Matt 5:14-16, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. 15 "Nor do men light a lamp, and put it under the peck-measure, but on the lampstand; and it gives light to all who are in the house. 16 "Let your light shine before men in such a way that they may see your good works, and glorify your Father who is in heaven." If you truly believe that Jesus is the Light of the World, then glorify Him by sharing Him. _____ up _____!

B. Lastly, if you do not _____ that _____ is the light, then you walk in the darkness of sin and death. Hear the word of the Lord! "And this is the judgment, that the light is come into the world, and men loved the darkness rather than the light; for their deeds were evil" (Jo. 3:19).

1. As Jesus said, we encourage you, "For a little while longer the light is among you. Walk while you have the light, that darkness may not overtake you; he who walks in the darkness does not know where he goes. "While you have the light, _____ in the light, in order that you may become sons of light" (John 12:35-36). _____ to the Light while there is still time. Believe upon the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will come out of the darkness of sin, and being _____, you will walk in the light!