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Unit II: The Word: The Agent of Creation

Subject: Bringing the Light

Text: John 12: 44 - 50

Key Verse:

“I am come a light into the world, that whosoever believeth on me should not abide in darkness (John 12: 46, KJV).”

Lesson Pointers:

- 1) The Final Opportunity (John 12: 44 – 46)**
- 2) The Only Escape (John 12: 47 – 50)**

Introduction:

We all have experienced haven had some missed opportunities in our lives and wished that we had only listen and took the time to get things right. Well, now, as we have grown older, we know that the missed opportunities were there to help us with our growth instead of our regrets. But in our Spiritual life or realm, there is no recovery from our deliberately missing or refusing the opportunity to believe that Jesus Christ is the Son of GOD, and to accept the salvation that Jesus Christ offers. You see, it is, GOD’S desire that none should perish because of unbelief. John 3: 17 says, “For God sent not his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through him might be saved.” So, we should not miss this opportunity to receive Jesus Christ because the chance of receiving Jesus Christ will not always be available. So, I plea too all, do not miss the opportunity to receive Jesus Christ as your personal LORD and Savior today; do not put it off.

Lesson Pointer # 1

- The Final Opportunity (John 12: 44 – 46)**

Jesus Christ’s cry to the people of Israel was of and emotional intense cry out to manifest HIMSELF to the nation, by saying when one believes in HIM only, it is not in HIM only, but in the One who sent HIM (John 12: 44). Jesus Christ statement brought on a dilemma for those who claim to believe in GOD while they rejected HIM. The refusal to accept Jesus Christ is also a refusal to accept the Father who sent HIM to be the propitiation for our sin. Jesus Christ said that he that seeth me seeth him that sent me (John 12: 45). Jesus Christ now makes HIS final offer to the people to escape the darkness by believing in HIM. Jesus Christ came into the world as the life that is light, the incarnate revelation of GOD the Father. When one receives Jesus Christ as the Light that lighteth every man that cometh into this world through faith, is the only way to escape darkness and the unrepentant sin of rejecting HIM (John 12: 46).

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Lesson Pointer # 2

- **The Only Escape (John 12: 47 – 50)**

Have you ever tried to navigate your way through a city without a map? Only leading you to one dead end after another. Well John gospel helps us to avoid spiritual dead ends with no way to escape. John says that Jesus Christ is the way, all you have, to do is believe in Jesus Christ and live. **John 20: 31** says, “But these are written, that ye might believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of GOD; and that believing ye might have life through his name.” Now, do understand that those who refuse to believe in HIS (Jesus Christ) name will be, judged. Jesus Christ’s final word to those who refused to believe HIS words included the reminder that HE did not come to judge them at this time but to save the world (John 12: 47). For us to have a way to escape, Jesus Christ had to come to offer the salvation that the nation of Israel rejected by refusing to acknowledge HIM as the Son of GOD. Here Jesus Christ warns them that on the last day, all those who refused to hear and obey HIS words would be, judged and condemned by the very words that Jesus Christ spoke (John 12: 48). It is serious when one rejects and disobey Jesus Christ words because GOD, the Father, is the One who had both given and commanded Jesus Christ to deliver them (John 12: 49). The obedience of Jesus Christ to GOD the Father instructions, allowed HIM to carry them out just as Jesus Christ had received them because they contained the way of eternal life and a way to escape (John 12: 50). Jesus Christ’s WORD is foundational to eternal life and is the guide for HIS expectations for holy living. As Christian we should see the urgent need to obey and prioritize GOD’S command to evangelize the lost.

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Lesson Nuggets

- 1) **The LORD desire is that none should perish because of unbelief (John 3: 17)**
- 2) **When one believes in Jesus Christ, they also believe in the One who sent Him (John 12: 44; Mark 9: 37)**
- 3) **He that seeth Jesus Christ, seeth GOD the Father (John 12: 45; John 14: 9).**
- 4) **We who rejects and disobey the Words of Jesus Christ at the last day, shall be, judged and condemned by the words of Jesus Christ which he spoke (John 12: 48; Luke 10: 16; Mark 16: 16).**