

"The Unity of Father and Son"

Text: John 10:22-33

Scripture reading: Ephesians 1:1-14

I. The plainly stated gospel truth - vv. 22-30

Introduction: vv. 22-23

A) A challenged identity - vv. 24-26

B) A certain eternity - vv. 27-29

Gospel doctrines:

1. Gracious _____

2. Effective _____

The general call of the gospel (see quote on p. 3)

The specific call of the gospel (see quote on p.3)

3. Secure _____
(I Pet. 1:3-5)

I Peter 5:10:

-perfect

-confirm

-strengthen

-establish

C) A condemned unity - vv. 30-33

Conclusion: Assurances from our text:

1) True sheep are a product of _____

2) True sheep are identified by their recognizing the _____

3) True sheep are learning to live in _____

"Unbelief may seem logical to our way of thinking, but it is not logical to God's way of thinking; and it is with His thinking that you and I have to do. According to Him we have been told everything we need to know and are therefore without excuse if we fail to believe on Christ as our Savior."

James Montgomery Boice

Quotes from "The Doctrines of Grace" by Philip Ryken and James Boice:

The general call of the gospel, "...is an invitation to all persons to repent of sin, turn to the Lord Jesus Christ, and be saved. It is the call that Jesus gave when He cried, 'Come to Me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest,' (Matt. 11:28). Or again, when He said, 'If anyone is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink,' (Jn. 7:37)."

The specific call of the gospel, "...not only issues the invitation but also provides the willingness or ability to respond. It is a case of God bringing to spiritual life those who without that call would remain spiritually dead forever."