

## "A Final Appeal"

Text: John 12:44-50

Scripture reading: I John 1:1-2:6

### **I. Faith in the unified Godhead - vv. 44-46**

A) Believing in the Son is believing in God - vs. 44

B) Believing in the Son is believing God sent Him - vv. 44b-45

C) Believing in the Son is believing in God's Light - vs. 46  
(Jn. 12:25-26; Jn. 3:19-20)

### **II. Faith that escapes the coming judgment - vv. 47-48**

A) His word rejected with the word that judges  
(Jn. 5:27; Rom. 1:18-20)

What about those who have never heard of Jesus?

1.

2.

B) His word stands between salvation and condemnation

The significance of Christ's saying to the believer:  
(Jn. 8:31, 14:21, 15:14; I Jn. 2:3, 5:3)

### **III. Faith that obeys the call of the gospel - vv. 49-50**

Why believe in Jesus?

A) Because He spoke just as His Father directed - vs. 49

B) Because life is found only in His word - vs. 50a  
(Acts 4:12)

C) Because His gospel is God's command - vv. 49-50  
(Acts 17:30-31)

#### **Conclusion:**

1) The unbeliever is warned to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.

2) The believer is warned to \_\_\_\_\_ the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.

*"A faith which works not for purification will work for putrefaction. Unless our faith makes us pine after holiness, and pant after conformity to God, it is no better than the faith of devils, and perhaps it is not even so good as that."*  
Charles H. Spurgeon