



SCRIPTURE
JOHN
12:42-50

42 Yet at the same time many even among the leaders believed in him. But because of the Pharisees they would not openly acknowledge their faith for fear they would be put out of the synagogue; **43** for they loved human praise more than praise from God. **44** Then Jesus cried out, "Whoever believes in me does not believe

in me only, but in the one who sent me. **45** The one who looks at me is seeing the one who sent me. **46** I have come into the world as a light, so that no one who believes in me should stay in darkness. **47** "If anyone hears my words but does not keep them, I do not judge that person. For I did not come to judge the world, but to save the world. **48** There is a judge for the one who rejects me and does not accept my words; the very words I have spoken will condemn them at the last day. **49** For I did not speak on my own, but the Father who sent me commanded me to say all that I have spoken. **50** I know that his command leads to eternal life. So whatever I say is just what the Father has told me to say."

MESSAGE NOTES

1 _____, _____, _____

2 Messiah = _____. The _____ One

3 "As the _____ goes, the _____ go."

4 Prophets _____ to the people.

5 Who is Jesus? Jesus is the _____ of God to us.

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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

MORE *than a* BABE
in a MANGER

1 What insight, principle or observation from this week's message did you find to be most helpful, eye opening or troubling? Please explain.

2 When have you wanted God to show up or speak up in your life?

3 Read John 12:42-43. Has there been a time you were ashamed to let people know you have your faith in Jesus? How do these verses help shed light on what might be going on within us?

4 Read John 12:44-45. What is Jesus claiming in these verses? Why does this claim force us away from the middle (indifference to Jesus or just believing he was a good teacher) as it relates to our view of who Jesus is?

5 Read John 12:45-50. Why did Jesus come to the world? How is this different than many people's perception? Jesus did not come to judge but his word will condemn...how do you explain this?

6 Why is the most important question "Who is Jesus?" How does this passage answer that question and what are the implications of that answer?

7 As you think of Christmas this year, how will Jesus as "Prophet" impact you as you celebrate the birth of Christ? How can you keep that central in your heart and mind this Christmas?

8 Pray for each other