

How to Miss Salvation

John 12:27-43

Sunday, November 13, 2022

1. They prefer the comfort of their own soul over the glory of God.

"Now My soul has become troubled; and what am I to say? 'Father, save Me from this hour'? But for this purpose I came to this hour. 28 "Father, glorify Your name."

John 12:27

2. They've got blind eyes, deaf ears and hard hearts.

Then a voice came out of heaven: "I have both glorified it, and will glorify it again." 29 So the crowd who stood by and heard it were saying that it had thundered; others were saying, "An angel has spoken to Him!"

30 Jesus responded and said, "This voice has not come for My sake, but for yours. 31 "Now judgment is upon this world; now the ruler of this world will be cast out. 32 "And I, if I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to Myself."

33 Now He was saying this to indicate what kind of death He was going to die. 34 The crowd then answered Him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ is to remain forever; and how is it that You say, 'The Son of Man must be lifted up'? Who is this Son of Man?" 35 So Jesus said to them, "For a little while longer the Light is among you. Walk while you have the Light, so that darkness will not overtake you; also, the one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. 36 "While you have the Light, believe in the Light, so that you may become sons of Light." These things Jesus proclaimed, and He went away and hid Himself from them.

37 But though He had performed so many signs in their sight, they still were not believing in Him. 38 This happened so that the word of Isaiah the prophet which he spoke would be fulfilled: "Lord, who has believed our report? And to whom as the arm of the Lord been revealed?" 39 For this reason they could not believe, for Isaiah said again, 40 "He has blinded their eyes and He hardened their heart, so that they will not see with their

eyes and understand with their heart, and be converted, and so I will not heal them.." 41 These things Isaiah said because he saw His glory, and he spoke about Him.

John 12:28-41

30 Jesus responded and said, **"This voice has not come for My sake, but for yours."**

This is why I speak to them in parables, because seeing they do not see, and hearing they do not hear, nor do they understand.

14 Indeed, in their case the prophecy of Isaiah is fulfilled that says: "You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive." 15 For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed, lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.'

Matthew 13:13-15

And disagreeing among themselves, they departed after Paul had made one statement: "The Holy Spirit was right in saying to your fathers through Isaiah the prophet: 26 "Go to this people, and say, "You will indeed hear but never understand, and you will indeed see but never perceive." 27 For this people's heart has grown dull, and with their ears they can barely hear, and their eyes they have closed; lest they should see with their eyes and hear with their ears and understand with their heart and turn, and I would heal them.'

Acts 28:25-27

3. They prefer the approval of people over the approval of God.

*Nevertheless many, even of the rulers, believed in Him, but because of the Pharisees they were not confessing Him, so that they would not be excommunicated from the synagogue; 43 **for they loved the approval of people rather than the approval of God.***

John 12:42-43

"We buy things we don't need with money we don't have to impress people we don't like."

Then Saul said to Samuel, "I have sinned; I have indeed transgressed the command of the Lord and your words, **because I feared the people and listened to their voice.**

1 Samuel 15:24

For am I now seeking the favor of people, or of God? Or am I striving to please people? **If I were still trying to please people, I would not be a bond-servant of Christ.**

Galatians 1:10

...these have been written **so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God; and that by believing you may have life in His name.**

John 20:31