

“The Ignorance of Rejecting the Light”
John 8:25-30

I. Those who reject the Light of the World will remain in spiritual darkness (vs. 25-27).

A. Jesus had told them who He was.

B. Jesus was capable of judging them because He knew their heart.

(John 3:17; 5:24; 12:49-50; 1 Peter 2:21-23; 1 John 3:23)

II. Those who reject the Light of the World will one day see that Jesus was who He said He was (vs. 28-29).

A. Jesus stated that they would see the Son of Man lifted up.

B. Jesus told them that on that day they would know that He was the Christ.

(Psalm 45:6-7)

III. The choice to reject or accept the Light of the World is a heart issue (v. 30).

A. Many rejected Jesus.

B. Many believed in Jesus.

(Matthew 22:30)

Scripture References and Notes

1 Corinthians 2:14

But a natural man does not accept the things of the Spirit of God, for they are foolishness to him; and he cannot understand them, because they are spiritually appraised.

John 5:24

“Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears My word, and believes Him who sent Me, has eternal life, and does not come into judgment, but has passed out of death into life.

John 3:17

For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him.

1 Peter 2:21-23

²¹ For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps, ²² WHO COMMITTED NO SIN, NOR WAS ANY DECEIT FOUND IN HIS MOUTH; ²³ and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting *Himself* to Him who judges righteously;

John 12:49-50

⁴⁹ For I did not speak on My own initiative, but the Father Himself who sent Me has given Me a commandment *as to* what to say and what to speak. ⁵⁰ I know that His commandment is eternal life; therefore the things I speak, I speak just as the Father has told Me.”

1 John 3:23

This is His commandment, that we believe in the name of His Son Jesus Christ, and love one another, just as He commanded us.

Psalms 45:6-7

⁶ Your throne, O God, is forever and ever;
A scepter of uprightness is the scepter of Your kingdom.
⁷ You have loved righteousness and hated wickedness;
Therefore God, Your God, has anointed You
With the oil of joy above Your fellows.

Matthew 22:14

For many are called, but few *are* chosen.”