

## “REALLY DIFFERENT”

### JOHN 12:37-50

The Bible continually announces that history is His story as it centers upon a great God while inviting us to join in His amazing, incredible, flawless, perfect blueprint. Indeed, our lives are best showcased when they evidence His work in us and through us which brings the greatest glory to Him.

### TRULY ETERNAL EVIDENCES

Notice the shift from horizontal to vertical:

A) “they did not believe” (12:37)  
to  
“that the word ... might be fulfilled” (12:38)  
→ \_\_\_\_\_ of God

B) “they could not believe” (12:39)  
to  
“He has blinded ... hardened” (12:40)  
→ \_\_\_\_\_ of God

① True \_\_\_\_\_ (12:44-45)

Those who fixed their eyes on Jesus indirectly fixed their eyes on the Father. This attests that:

1. Jesus is \_\_\_\_\_ (Hebrews 1:3).
2. Salvation is by \_\_\_\_\_. Believing is seeing.

Embrace what an \_\_\_\_\_ God says to you through His \_\_\_\_\_ Word.

② True \_\_\_\_\_ (12:46)

Benefits of this, we:

- 1) will walk the pathway of \_\_\_\_\_ (Luke 1:79)
- 2) will not \_\_\_\_\_ (John 11:9)
- 3) will guide others toward \_\_\_\_\_ (Rom. 2:19)
- 4) can truly \_\_\_\_\_ Him (2 Cor. 4:6)
- 5) are guaranteed an \_\_\_\_\_ (Col. 1:12)
- 6) are promised only good and perfect \_\_\_\_\_ (Jm 1:17)
- 7) have direct \_\_\_\_\_ to God the Father (1 Pt. 2:9)
- 8) have \_\_\_\_\_ with other believers (1 Jn 1:7)

③ True \_\_\_\_\_ (12:47-48)

It does not hinge on our worth or our efforts or our pedigree. He accepts us because it \_\_\_\_\_ Him (Ephesians 1:5).

### CONCLUSION

Three eternal realities open to those who truly come to a saving knowledge of Jesus Christ. Yet it is possible that some think themselves to be a Christian but one day too late will stand before God and discover this to not be true. They think they know Him but He does not know them. Where do you stand? What are you rooted in?