

## “UNFINISHED BUSINESS”

### JOHN 12:9-19

*How encouraging for parents to see the fruition of their labors when the child finally “gets it.” When something actually penetrates and isn’t quickly rejected. Ah, the joy of parenting. Our Heavenly Father isn’t entirely different, although His parenting is flawless and His view longer-term.*

### EVIDENCES OF GOD’S WORK IN MAN

#### ① C \_\_\_\_\_ (12:9)

The masses want to see this Jesus and the one He raised from the dead. Seeing is believing.

Make no mistake about \_\_\_\_\_ is interested in \_\_\_\_\_ first (Romans 3:11).

#### ② C \_\_\_\_\_ (12:11)

“moving away” → They are exiting their Jewish allegiance to venture into a new allegiance.

This begins with a change of \_\_\_\_\_ that culminates in a change in \_\_\_\_\_. This is the role of the Holy Spirit (John 16:8)!

#### ③ C \_\_\_\_\_ (12:11)

Faith: Having turned from, now they turn to.

Faith is not something conjured up from within but is the \_\_\_\_\_ of God (Ephesians 2:8-9).

#### ④ C \_\_\_\_\_ (12:12)

Though He \_\_\_\_\_ His life, He does call us to be willing to \_\_\_\_\_ our life (Romans 12:1-2).

Though we exercise \_\_\_\_\_ in the steps we take, He Himself has ordered the steps (Psalm 37:23) and planned our works (Eph. 2:10).

#### ⑤ C \_\_\_\_\_ (12:13)

Jesus is recognized, honored, and acknowledged as the reigning king.

Hosanna: They look to Jesus to save them \_\_\_\_\_.

The crowd makes confession of King Jesus and even though they had the \_\_\_\_\_ wrong, they did not have the \_\_\_\_\_ wrong.

#### ⑥ C \_\_\_\_\_ (12:17-18)

They are not afraid to announce themselves as eyewitnesses of this miracle.

Our \_\_\_\_\_ roots itself in our God who is the rock, our fortress, and our shield.

### CONCLUSION

Beloved, do not for one moment underestimate what God is doing. He is at work accomplishing His plan and nothing will thwart that blueprint. Be encouraged that He is at work in you and in others around you (Philippians 1:6). The progress may be slow but be patient and give thanks for His work of salvation and sanctification.