

The Light Fades as the Sun Sets

John 12:44-50

PART TWO

Introduction

Matthew 15:14

Isaiah 9:15-16

From *belief* in Christ to *eternal life* with Him (a progression):

I. Believing is *Seeing* (vv44-45)

v44 v45

"cried out"

"Whoever"

John 3:16a

"believes in me"

John 3:16b

"believes not in me but him who sent me"

John 12:42-43

John 5:44

And whoever sees me sees him who sent me.

John 14:8-9

"I and the Father are one." John 10:30

II. Seeing is *Knowing* (v46)

v46

John 12:35

2 Corinthians 4:6

1 John 1:5-6

1 John 1:7

They can no longer live ignorant of the life they must turn from and who they now must *follow*.

2 Corinthians 6:14

The only sure way to tell if someone is a true Christian is by how they respond to the Word of God.

III. Knowing is *Keeping* (vv47-48)

v47

“If anyone hears my words and does not keep them,”

Words of Divine Truth are meant to be *kept, treasured, and lived by*.

John 8:51

John 8:55

1 John 5:3

“for I find my delight in your commandments, which I love.” Psalm 119:47

Psalm 119:103-104

Hebrews 8:10

Jeremiah 31:33

“I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world”

John 3:17

John 8:15

v48

John 5:45-47

John 3:18

IV. Keeping is *Living* (vv49-50)

v49 v50

Proverbs 3:34; Job 22:29

Isaiah 57:15

Proverbs 22:4

Five Requirements for those who truly belong to Jesus Christ:

Deuteronomy 10:12-13

1. *Fear the Lord your God*
2. *Walk in all his ways*
3. *Love Him*
4. *Serve the Lord your God*
5. *Keep His commandments*

Deuteronomy 13:3b-4

Deuteronomy 14:2

The regular, consistent activity of looking at Jesus in Scripture has a powerful transforming effect on us.