

(Study from Jack Gabbert on The Life Of Christ)

**REQUESTS OF SOME GREEKS & NECESSITY OF THE SON OF MAN BEING LIFTED UP**

**TEXT:** John 12:20-36a

**PLACE:** Jerusalem

**TIME:** Monday or maybe Tuesday

◆ **The Request Of The Greeks**

➡ Why were these Greeks at Jerusalem?

➤ What is a "proselyte?"

➡ They came to \_\_\_\_\_ and said, "Sir, we wish to see \_\_\_\_\_."

➤ Why do you suppose they wanted to see Jesus?

◆ **The Cross Foretold**

➡ "The \_\_\_\_\_ has come for the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_ to be \_\_\_\_\_."

➤ When the disciples and people heard this statement, they no doubt thought that Daniel 7:13-14 was ready to be fulfilled and that the promised kingdom was about to arrive. But Jesus didn't mean the kind of glory they meant. His glorification would come on the cross. They didn't understand: So He gives an illustration... "\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, I say to you, \_\_\_\_\_ a grain of wheat \_\_\_\_\_ into the earth and \_\_\_\_\_, it remains by itself alone: but if it \_\_\_\_\_, it bears much \_\_\_\_\_"

➤ Then He says, "He who \_\_\_\_\_ his life \_\_\_\_\_ it; and he who \_\_\_\_\_ his life in this world shall \_\_\_\_\_ it to life \_\_\_\_\_."

➡ Men wanted glory for themselves; high positions in the new kingdom they thought Jesus would establish - so Jesus says there shall My \_\_\_\_\_ also be; if anyone \_\_\_\_\_ Me the Father will \_\_\_\_\_ him."

➤ Responsibility = Service

➤ Reward = Honor

➡ For what purpose did Jesus come?

**NOTE:** Verse 27 is a statement of determination and purpose; not a request to escape!

➡ God's answer - He had glorified Jesus (baptism and transfiguration) but the future glorification would come through the cross.

◆ TheVictoryForeseen

- ➡ Victory #1 - "Now judgment is upon this world."
  - How does Jesus' death both judge and save from judgment?
  
- ➡ Victory #2 - "Now the ruler of this world shall be cast out."
  - Ultimately Satan will lose because of Calvary and resurrection.
  
- ➡ Victory #3 - "And I, if I be lifted up... will draw all men to Myself"
  - Compare John 3:16
  - How did the people respond to this?