Sermon Notes

August 25, 2019

"We Would See Jesus: The Radical Call to Selfless Service to Christ" John 12:20-26

BACKGROUND

- The Interested
- The Intermediaries

SUMMARY OF CHRIST'S MESSAGE:

Selflessness (Death!) leads to life!

I. The PATTERN of Selflessness (v. 23)

Consider Christ's Pattern of Selflessness: <u>SHAME</u> Exchanged for <u>GLORY!</u>

- A. The cross was an act of selflessness.
- B. The cross was an act of glory.

II. The POTENTIAL of Selflessness (v. 24)

Recognize the Paradox of Selflessness: <u>DEATH</u> Exchanged for <u>LIFE</u>!

- A. Selfishness leads to solitude.
- B. Selfishness leads to sterility.
- C. Selflessness leads to growth.
- D. Selflessness leads to glory.

III. The PRESERVATION of Selflessness (v. 25)

Trust Christ to Keep What We Give: <u>SUFFERING</u> Exchanged for <u>SECURITY!</u>

- A. Selfishness leads to self-destruction.
- B. Selflessness leads to self-preservation.

IV. The PRAISE of Selflessness (v. 26)

Rejoice in Future Reward: <u>SERVICE</u> Exchanged for <u>HONOR!</u>

- Selflessness leads to serving Christ, resulting in observation.
- B. Selflessness leads to serving Christ, resulting in **obedience**.
- C. Selflessness leads to serving Christ, resulting in **perseverance**.
- D. Selflessness leads to serving Christ, resulting in **praise**.