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Why Did the Father Send the Son?

John 6:38-40

I. Jesus Came To Do His Father's Will (v. 38)

- A. Jesus _____ off of doing the Father's will (Jn. 4:34)
- B. Jesus _____ nothing on His own (Jn. 5:30; 17:4)
- C. Jesus _____ the world love by obeying the Father
(Jn. 14:31)

II. The Father's Will is that Jesus Would Lose None (v. 39)

- A. No Christian will ever be _____ out of His hand
(Jn. 10:27-29)
- B. No Christian _____ by Christ will be lost
(Jn. 17:12; 1 Pet. 1:5)
- C. No _____ can be had if you only look at your life
(1 Jn. 1:1; 2:1-2; 3:1; 4:2; 5:1)

III. Jesus Will Raise Up All Those Who Believe in Him (v. 40)

- A. What does it mean to look on the Son and _____ in Him?
(Jn. 1:12; 1 Jn. 5:13; Phil. 1:6; Jude 24)
- B. When is the _____ day?
(Jn. 6:44, 54; 1 Thes. 4:13-17; 1 Thes. 5:23-24)
- C. Why do some who seemed to be saved fall _____?
(1 Jn. 2:19; Heb. 6:4-6; 10:26-27)

TAKE HOME

- Are you here to do your _____ or the will of the Father?
- Is your assurance based more on your _____ or Christ's life?
- Are you more looking on the Son or believing _____ the Son?

STUDY QUESTIONS

James 1:22 says, *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”* These questions are designed to help you apply today’s message to your life. We encourage you to thoughtfully answer these questions and discuss your answers with others. For more information about joining a Small Group that uses these questions as the basis for discussion, prayer, and accountability, please call the church office at (661) 259-2913.

1. Read John 6:38. According to this verse why did Jesus come down from heaven? What do you think Jesus means when He says, “My food is to do the will of him who sent me”? (Jn. 4:34)

2. Read John 5:30 and 17:4. Why can’t Jesus do anything on His own? Can you do anything on your own? Explain your answer.

3. Read John 6:39. What is the will of the Father in this verse? Is it possible for a Christian to lose their salvation? Read and discuss John 10:27-29.

4. Read John 17:12 and 1 Peter 1:5. How does it make you feel to know that you are guarded by Christ? How should this aid your confidence in Him? In how you live?

5. Do you struggle with assurance of your salvation? What’s the difference in the priority of looking at Christ’s life and looking at your life? What is 1 John all about?

6. Read John 6:40. What’s the difference between looking on Christ and believing in Christ? (Jn. 1:12; 1 Jn. 5:13)

7. Why do some who seemed to be saved fall away? (1 Jn. 2:19; Heb. 6:4-6; 10:26-27)

8. Read the take home questions. Which one challenges you or encourages you the most? How has this passage helped you better understand the doctrine of eternal security?

*“To be assured of our salvation is no arrogant stoutness.
It is faith. It is devotion. It is not presumption.
It is God's promise.”*

- Augustine