

THE CALL OF THE CROSS

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Study of John / John 12:27-50

I. Lifted Up: Christ on the Cross. (27-35)

II. Looking Down: Unbelief in Christ. (36-43)

III. Looking Up: Faith in Christ. (44-50)

A. Jesus Came to Save the World. [44-47]

B. God Will Judge Those Who Reject Christ by Christ's Words. [48-50]

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

FOR WEDNESDAY NIGHT

1. (Vs. 32) What did Jesus mean by being "lifted up?" What did He mean by saying He would "draw all men" to Himself. Does this mean that everyone will be saved?
2. (Vs. 31) Who is the "prince of this world?" What does Jesus mean when He says the prince will, "be cast out?"
3. Vs. 39 says that the Jews "could not believe." Why couldn't they believe in Christ? Did some of them believe?
4. Is the faith described in 42-43 saving faith?
5. (Vs. 44) Can we believe in Jesus without believing in God the father?
6. What is the connection between rejecting Jesus and not receiving His words? (Vs. 48) Can people believe in Jesus if they do not believe the Bible?
7. This passage points out that many of the leaders did believe but not openly, what good was that? Do you ever feel like you believe, but are not very open with your faith?
8. Jesus was in turmoil, yet he understood that this was why he had come into the world, and he would not change course. What purpose does God have for your life? Why are

you where you are, surrounded by the specific people in your life? Are you following through with God's purpose or are you trying to change the course to something a little easier or more comfortable?

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