

➤ Unit 12 - 2 (v 23-36): The Hour Has Come

A. Daily Study

²³ And Jesus answered them, “The hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified. ²⁴ Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit. ²⁵ Whoever loves his life loses it, and whoever hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. ²⁶ If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.

²⁷ “Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? ‘Father, save me from this hour’? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. ²⁸ Father, glorify your name.” Then a voice came from heaven: “I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.” ²⁹ The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, “An angel has spoken to him.” ³⁰ Jesus answered, “This voice has come for your sake, not mine. ³¹ Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. ³² And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself.” ³³ He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. ³⁴ So the crowd answered him, “We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?” ³⁵ So Jesus said to them, “The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. ³⁶ While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light.”

[✍] In-depth Questions

1. What did Jesus mean of “The hour has come?” (v 23) – See v 13:1
 - The time of His death and resurrection has come.
2. Who is ‘Son of Man?’ (v 23) – See Daniel 7:13-14
 - It refers to Jesus. He is God but came as a human, who will die like a human and resurrect to reign the world as Messiah.
 - ¹³ “In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the *Ancient of Days (Father God)* and was led into his presence. ¹⁴ He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; Daniel 7:13-14 NIV
3. What is the lesson from His grain analogy? (v 24)
 - His death will give life to the entire nations.
4. How does a man lose ‘his life’ if he loves it? (v 25)
 - His life is a physical life; eventually, he will die and perish.
5. How does a man keep ‘his life’ if he hates it in this world? (v 25) – See Matt. 16:24
 - He should repent his ego and sinful desires of the flesh, and believe in Jesus with a humble heart.
6. How can a person follow Jesus? (v 26)
 - By accepting Jesus as his/her Lord and Savior through sincere prayer.

7. Why did Jesus struggle if Father God sent Him to die? (v 27)
 - His struggle represented our struggles and agonies. We also struggle either to surrender to the Lord or to the world.
8. How did Father God already glorify Jesus even though He did not die yet? (v 28)
 - Matt. 3:17, Jesus was glorified when He was baptized.
 - John 17:5, Jesus was glorified before the world was.
9. Why did Father God say, "I have glorified it, and will glorify it again?" (v 28-30)
 - The voice from God was for the people to believe Jesus is the Son of God.
10. What is the judgment of this world? (v 31) – See 2 Cor. 4:4
 - The ruler of this world (Satan) would be cast out.
 - 2 Cor. 4:4; People cannot see the light of the Gospel
 - Eph. 2:2; Satan has been working in the sons of disobedience
 - John 16:11; The ruler of this world has been judged
11. What would Jesus do when He died on the cross, resurrected, and went to Heaven? (v 32)
 - Jesus will take all believers with Him into Heaven
12. Why did the Jews believe the Christ would remain forever? (v 34) – See Isaiah 10:4, Ezekiel 37:25
 - People could know the Kingdom of God is not just the present earth but the New Jerusalem (Rev. 3:12)
13. What should we do while the light of Jesus is with us? (v 35)
 - We should walk in the light until He calls us into His Kingdom.
14. How could we become sons/daughters of the light? (v 36)
 - By believing in Jesus as the Lord and Savior.

B. Today's Chal-Q

- ◆ What does 'walking in the light' mean to you?

❖ Today's Memory Verse

John 12:36 – “While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light.” (ESV)