

A Few Things They Didn't Like About Jesus

I. Introduction:

A. You would think that everyone would love Jesus because of who and what He is (**I John 4:14**).

1. There is no greater love than one laying down His life for His friends (**John 15:13**).

2. Yet, He didn't just die for His friends (**Romans 5:6-11**).

B. While Jesus represents Judgment (**II Timothy 4:1**) and condemnation to many (**Matthew 25:41; 25:46**)...

1. ...He is also the resurrection and the life (**John 11:25**).

2. ...He is also that blessed hope (**Titus 2:13**).

3. ...He is also the source of eternal salvation, but what often stands in the way of people loving Him is what they have to do to have salvation of Him (**Hebrews 5:8-9**).

II. Body: That Generation Rejected Jesus (**Luke 17:25**)

A. His appearance wasn't what they wanted in their Savior (**Isaiah 53:2**).

1. His appearance was that of a servant (**Philippians 2:7**).

2. He didn't have an earthly palace (**Luke 9:57-58**).

3. He didn't dress like the religious elites or act like them (cf. **Luke 20:46; Mark 10:44-45**).

B. They didn't want their hometown boy to be their Lord (**Matthew 13:53-58**).

1. They couldn't see past the physical (**John 6:42**).

2. Think of the sad point behind this (**Luke 4:24**).

C. They didn't like Him being the light that exposed their darkness (**John 3:19-21**).

1. So, they hated Him without just cause (**John 15:18-25**).

2. They didn't want Him exposing them (**John 7:7**).

3. He didn't try to appease them (**Luke 11:45-54**).

D. He didn't meet the approval of the "in crowd" (**John 7:40-49**).

1. He didn't hold to their incorrect conclusions (**Mark 3:1-6**).

2. He didn't care that He offended them (**Matthew 15:1-14**).

III. Conclusion: Jesus being unpopular will never change. Only a few will be saved (**Luke 13:23-24**). That is telling.