# The Hour Has Come, How Do YOU Follow Jesus? John 12:12-26

Perhaps the Greatest <u>Compliment</u> for the <u>Christian</u> is to be <u>Known</u> as a <u>Disciple</u> of Christ...a <u>Learner</u> of His Ways...a <u>Student</u> of His Word...a <u>Follower</u> of His Life.

Today, we'll see 6 <u>GROUPS</u> of Followers that will help you make the <u>Right Choice</u> about <u>HOW</u> to Follow Jesus.

### 1. SOME BELIEVE BASED ON EXPECTATION. (vv.12-16)

- Many had <u>Heard</u> of Jesus & many more heard He <u>Raised</u> a man from death.
- This Multitude <u>Followed</u> with all the <u>Wrong Motives</u>.
- WE Follow Jesus because what He has Already DONE for us.

# 2. SOME UNDERSTAND ONLY IN <u>RECOLLECTION</u>. (v.16)

- <u>AFTER</u> the resurrection, <u>Jesus' Words</u>, <u>Actions</u> & <u>Teachings</u> took on a <u>brand-new Meaning</u> & <u>made a lot more Sense</u>.
- Think about ALL the Events in your life God's used to Lead you Where you are Today.
- "Lord, what do YOU want me to do NEXT?"

## 3. SOME BELIEVE WITH SHALLOW DEVOTION. (vv.17-18)

- NOT a <u>Single Member</u> of that <u>Cheering Mass</u> of people would do <u>Single Thing</u> to Stop these Jews from <u>Nailing</u> Jesus to the Cross.
- Many today <u>Claim</u> to <u>Believe & Follow Christ Jesus</u> but <u>Won't Lift</u> a Finger to <u>Serve Him</u>

### 4. SOME GIVE UP IN <u>DESPERATION</u>. (v.19)

- Those who <u>Oppose Christ</u> are just <u>Spinning</u> their wheels.
- The Plans of the Pharisees Only Succeeded as far God's Plans Permitted.
- "SELF" must take a <u>Back</u> Seat when you're a <u>Follower</u> of Jesus.

## 5. SOME SINCERELY SEEK <u>SALVATION</u>. (vv.20-22)

- "Sir, we wish to SEE Jesus."
- <u>No One</u> who has a <u>Sincere Desire</u> in their heart to <u>Meet</u> Jesus, to <u>Know</u> Jesus or to <u>Learn</u> from Jesus is EVER <u>Turned Away</u>.

## 6. AS FOLLOWERS, WE HAVE AN OBLIGATION. (vv.23-26)

- If Jesus <u>Didn't</u> <u>Die</u>, there would be NO <u>Saved</u> sinners to <u>Share</u> in His glory.
- WE too must be willing to die to SELF...
- "Hating your life in this world" tells us Followers MUST have their Priorities Straight.
- 1. NO <u>Excuses</u> (v.24)

- 2. NO <u>Limits</u> (v.25) 3. NO <u>Regrets</u> (v.26)