

11. In the opening verses of Matthew 12, Jesus is engaged in a controversy with the Pharisees over what issue?
12. What two groups joined hands to destroy Jesus?
13. Who was very pleased with what Jesus did?
14. Jesus was quite popular with whom?
15. To say that the general populace liked Jesus doesn't mean that they truly did what?
16. What is one of the reasons why the people flocked to Jesus?
17. What did Jesus NOT ignore?
18. Why did Jesus do all of the healing that He did?
19. Why did Jesus tell or warn people to not make Him known?
20. In John 6:1-21, what two miracles did Jesus do?
21. Why does Jesus not answer the question asked of Him in John 6:25?
22. What words did Jesus say to indicate that He felt strongly about what He was about to say?
23. Why did Jesus feel so strongly about this issue in John 6?
24. Like many people today, the people back then were motivated by what?
25. Are you like them?
26. What are you working for? What is your chief concern in life?
27. What was the second reason for why Jesus didn't want people broadcasting His miraculous powers of healing and provision?
28. Many people thought Jesus would be what kind of leader?
29. There are times in life where we have to choose between what?
30. The Messiah was not to come as a zealot or a conquering hero. He didn't come with what?
31. From verse 19 we understand that Jesus wasn't going to be out in the streets doing what?
32. A bruised reed and a smoking flax were illustrations to represent what?
33. Rather than "throw aside" people who were viewed as feeble and useless to society, our Lord's goal was to do what?
34. The leadership of Israel rejected Jesus because they had no interest in the welfare of whom?

35. Jesus didn't cast us aside because we aren't what?
36. Have you trusted in Him?
37. Or are you like the leaders of Jesus' day who didn't like Jesus because He didn't fit their idea of what they wanted Him to be?

Remember: Your responsibility, by God's enabling, is to consistently apply the divine principles and truths you have heard (Philippians 2:12-13; I Timothy 4:7-9; James 1:22-27). As you meditate on this message, ask yourself these questions:

- »» How does God want my beliefs/actions to change?
- »» How can I accomplish this change?
- »» What is the first step toward bringing about this change?

For Next Time:

- 1) **Read the following passages this week: Matthew 1:21; Revelation 20:11-15; Psalm 86:5; Psalm 103:12; Isaiah 1:18; Isaiah 43:25; Micah 7:18-19; Romans 3:19-26; Acts 10:34-43; Acts 13:26-38; Colossians 2:13; Luke 7:36-43; Matthew 18:21-35; Ephesians 4:31-32; Isaiah 55:7; Luke 24:47; and Matthew 9:9-13**
- 2) **How do all of these references relate to the "Greatest Gift of All"?**

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THE BELOVED SERVANT

Matthew 12:15-21

(Series #71)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon "**The Beloved Servant.**" All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. What groups did not like Jesus when He was here on earth?
2. Who were the spiritual elites of that day?
3. The Sadducees were largely people of what?
4. The Sadducees didn't like Jesus because He was a threat to their what?
5. What group in Israel withdrew from society and lived lives of asceticism and celibacy?
6. The Essenes saw Jesus as too what?
7. The Scribes were seen as the authorities on what?
8. They didn't like Jesus because He didn't agree with all of their what?
9. The Herodians didn't like Jesus because He wasn't what?
10. A person in Jesus' day who was a political revolutionary was known as a what?

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