**Que stions**–John 12:20-50



Why would Greeks celebrate the feast and go to worship? **They were believers**



Explain Jesus’ response in light of the fact that they were coming to tell Him the Greeks wanted to talk to Him. **He knew that his time was short**

What is the meaning of the parable in verse 24? How is it connected, if at all, to verse 23? **He is saying that He knew what was to happen to him, He was to be raised on the cross as a sacrifice, tells you what will happen**



What is the world’s teaching on how to be successful? What character qualities does the world look for in a successful person? **By working hard, keeping your nose to the grind stone, Wealth, power, positions**



How is this the same or different from the character qualities that a successful person in God’s eyes must have? **They are all man centered not God centered**



Is verse 25 teaching suicide? Should we not value our own lives? **No, we are too precious to give our lives away**

Describe what a person looks like or does who loves his own life. **ME, ME, ME**



Describe what a person looks like or does who “hates his life”. **We give and work as Jesus would have us**

What will the servant of Christ do? Is it possible to serve Christ, but do it “our own way”? **We live our lives through Jesus and try to do what he wants, NO**



What will the results be of dying, hating our life, serving Christ, and following Him? **Eternal live**



II. The Father speaks from heaven (27-30)

Why was Jesus troubled? Why was He troubled about His coming death? Isn’t He God? **As a Human he was afraid of death, even though He knew He was to die, Yes, but He has set aside his Godly power**



What does the crowds reactions in verse 29 tell us about the condition of their hearts? **Those who heard thunder had closed heart, those who heard an angel had open hearts**

What does Jesus mean in verse 30? How was this voice for their sakes? **He knew what was coming, give comfort and encouragement to those who believed**

What judgment was about to come? **The judgement of Satan and he will be cast out of Heaven**



III. The Father speaks from heaven (27-30)

Why did the crowd question Jesus that He would die? Is their interpretation accurate? **They thought He would stay and rule, not return to Heaven, no**

IV. The people reject Him (37-43)



Why were the people not believing? **They could not see the light of Jesus and what He represented**

Does God harden people’s hearts? **Yes**



Why would He harden the hearts of the people of Israel? Doesn’t He want to save them? **He will only save a remnant of the Jews not all**



If He did harden their hearts, how come in verse 42 some people were believing? **They were the few he drew to Jesus**

Does this mean they aren’t responsible? **No, we are still responsible for our actions**



Why wouldn’t the leaders confess Jesus? What does this tell us about their faith? **They were afraid of losing their positions of power, they had none**



Why do many people and leaders today refuse to take a stand on something? **They don’t want to be locked into one thing on the subject**



Do you like the approval of men? **Acknowledgement more than approval**



Which do you like more, the approval of God or man? **God**

What concept does Jesus highlight through this section of verses? **That He was speaking on Gods behalf**