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Some Then the Pharisees said to each other, "There's nothing we can do. Look everyone has gone after him!"

John 12:19

Some Greeks who had come to Jerusalem for the Passover celebration ²¹ paid a visit to Philip, who was from Bethsaida in Galilee. They said, "Sir, we want to meet Jesus." ²² Philip told Andrew about it, and they went together to ask Jesus.

[John 12:20-22](#)

²³ Jesus replied, "Now the time has come for the Son of Man to enter into his glory. ²⁴ I tell you the truth, unless a kernel of wheat is planted in the soil and dies, it remains alone. But its death will produce many new kernels—a plentiful harvest of new lives. [John 12:23,24](#)

²⁵ Those who love their life in this world will lose it. Those who care nothing for their life in this world will keep it for eternity. ²⁶ Anyone who wants to serve me must follow me, because my servants must be where I am. And the Father will honor anyone who serves me. [John 12:25,26](#)

27 "Now my soul is deeply troubled. Should I pray, 'Father, save me from this hour'? But this is the very reason I came! 28 Father, bring glory to your name." Then a voice spoke from heaven, saying, "I have already brought glory to my name, and I will do so again." [John 12:27,28](#)

²⁹ When the crowd heard the voice, some thought it was thunder, while others declared an angel had spoken to him. ³⁰ Then Jesus told them, "The voice was for your benefit, not mine.

John 12:29,30

³¹ The time for judging this world has come, when Satan, the ruler of this world, will be cast out. ³² And when I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw everyone to myself." ³³ He said this to indicate how he was going to die.

John 12:31-33

The crowd responded, "We understood from Scripture that the Messiah would live forever. How can you say the Son of Man will die? Just who is this Son of Man, anyway?"

John 12:34

³⁵ Jesus replied, "My light will shine for you just a little longer. Walk in the light while you can, so the darkness will not overtake you. Those who walk in the darkness cannot see where they are going. ³⁶ Put your trust in the light while there is still time; then you will become children of the light." After saying these things, Jesus went away and was hidden from them.

John 12:35,36



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For God made Christ, who never sinned, to be the offering for our sin, so that we could be made right with God through Christ.

2 Corinthians 5:21



“He appeared to take
away sin by the sacrifice
of Himself.”

1 John 3:5



“No one can take my life
from me. I sacrifice it
voluntarily.”

John 10:18





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Jesus life example could give no life to us.

His teaching by themselves could give no life.

His miracles could give no spiritual life.

His transfiguration could give no life.

Had He been translated into heaven like Enoch, or had

He been taken to heaven in a chariot of fire like Elijah,
there would be no people in heaven.

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John 12:24

Because of the joy
awaiting him, he
endured the cross,
disregarding its shame.

Hebrews 12:2



II. There is also a cost for those that come to Him.

Those who love their life in this world will lose it. Those who care nothing for their life in this world will keep it for eternity. ²⁶ Anyone who wants to serve me must follow me, because my servants must be where I am. And the Father will honor anyone who serves me.

John 12:25,26

“If any of you wants to be my follower, you must give up your own way, take up your cross daily, and follow me. ²⁴ If you try to hang on to your life, you will lose it. But if you give up your life for my sake, you will save it.”

Luke 9:23,24



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*“He is no fool who
gives what he cannot
keep to gain that which
he cannot lose”*



Jim Elliot

Missionary/Auca Indians

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- **Verse 26a: Yes, we follow him to Calvary.**

Why would I give up my life and forfeit it to embrace Jesus Christ? Because if I follow Him, I'll be where He is.

Where's that? Heaven. Eternal life. God's kingdom.

“because my servants must be where I am.”

The second part is glorious.

- **Verse 26b: Yes, we must become his servants.**

If you ever wonder what heaven is really about look at the
end of this verse-

"The Father will honor anyone who serves me."

It's where God honors the sinner: saved and cleansed.

Because of our faith, Christ has brought us into this place of undeserved privilege where we now stand, and we confidently and joyfully look forward to sharing God's glory.

Romans 5:2



“The gate is narrow and the way is hard, that leads to life, and those who find it are few.”

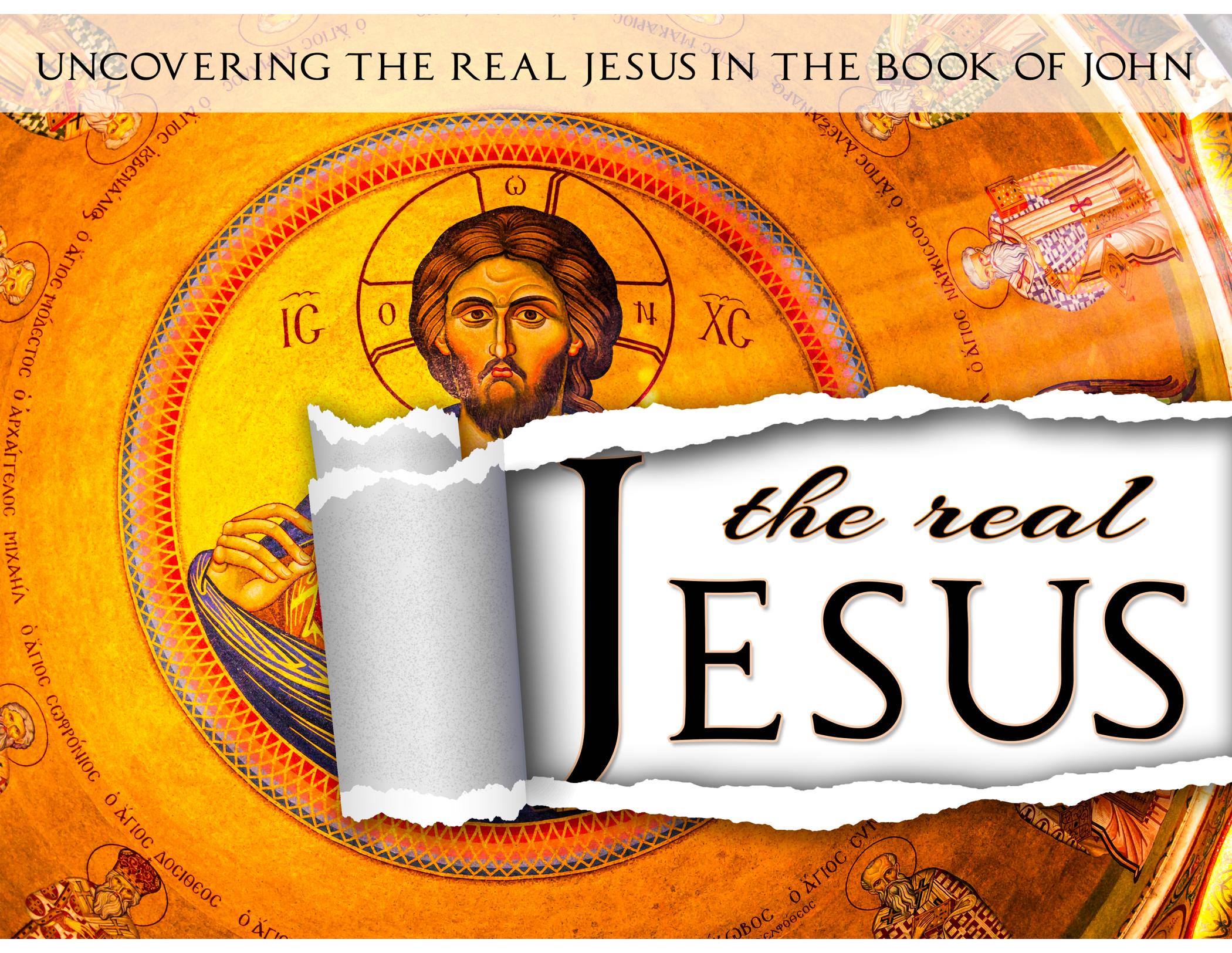
Matthew 7:14







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