WE WOULD SEE JESUS

SCRIPTURE: JOHN 12:21 NIV

INTRODUCTION

ON STEPPING TO THE PULPIT IN LAKEWOOD ASSEMBLY OF GOD IN DALLAS, TEXAS. MY EYES FELL ON A PLAQUE PLACED INSIDE THE PULPIT SO THAT THE PLAQUE WAS VISIBLE ONLY TO THE MINISTER. ON THE PLAQUE WERE THE WORDS OF THIS TEXT, SIR, WE WOULD SEE JESUS.

I. YOU ARE THE PERSON BEING ADDRESSED

COLOSSIANS 3:1-2 NIV SINCE THEN YOU HAVE BEEN RAISED WITH CHRIST, SET YOUR HEARTS ON THINGS ABOVE, WHERE CHRIST IS SEATED AT THE RIGHT HAND OF GOD. SET YOUR MINDS ON THINGS ABOVE, NOT ON EARTHLY THINGS.

- A. YOU ARE EXPECTED TO BE IN FELLOWSHIP WITH CHRIST
- B. YOU ARE EXPECTED TO HAVE ACCESS TO JESUS CHRIST
- C. YOU ARE EXPECTED TO BE ABLE TO LEAD TO JESUS CHRIST

II. YOU ARE BEING REQUESTED TO INTRO-DUCE MEN TO JESUS CHRIST

MATTHEW 5:16 NIV IN THE SAME WAY, LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE BEFORE MEN, THAT THEY MAY SEE YOUR GOOD DEEDS AND PRAISE YOUR FATHER IN HEAVEN.

- A. YOUR LIFESTYLE MUST REFLECT JESUS CHRIST
- B. YOUR CONVERSATION MUST REVEAL JESUS CHRIST
- C. YOUR CONDUCT MUST MODEL JESUS CHRIST

III. JESUS IS THE ONE BEING ASKED FOR

JOHN 12:20-21 NIV NOW THERE WERE SOME GREEKS AMONG THOSE WHO WENT UP TO WORSHIP AT THE FEAST. THEY CAME TO PHILIP, WHO WAS FROM BETHSAIDA IN GALILEE, WITH A REQUEST. SIR, THEY SAID, WE WOULD LIKE TO SEE JESUS.

- A. MEN DO NOT WANT TO BE IMPRESSED WITH OUR ABILITIES
- B. MEN DON'T NEED TO BE EXPOSED TO OUR CHARISMA
- C. MEN NEED TO BE INTRODUCED TO THE LIFE CHANGING POWER OF JESUS CHRIST