

Matthew 12.38-50 Outline

Asking for a miracle – us and the Pharisees

1. Rely and respond v38-42

- They rely on a miraculous sign to prove Jesus was from God, but...
- They'll only be given the sign of Jonah – Jesus' death and resurrection

Will you trust that too and respond in repentance?

(Matt 16.21; Jonah 3; 1 Kings 10)

2. Really suffer v43-45

A person starts with a demon, is healed but ends up with 7 more.

Your final condition will end up far worse or you don't come to Jesus

(Rev 20.10,15)

3. Resolve and Rejoice v46-50

Mark 3.21; John 7.5

Jesus elevates the importance of being in his (God's) family

What a reason to rejoice

Doing the Father's will (Matt 10.37; 11.20, 28; 12.12.8; 7.21)

= Resolving to turn to Jesus then live in ways that please God.

3 examples of that:

James

Lolo Jones

Raphael from Burundi

How will you love God and love others?