



International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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John 12:37-43 Scripture Handout New Revised Standard Version

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
 2. What does this verse mean to me?
- Discuss your answers with the class.

(John 12:37) Although he had performed so many signs in their presence, they did not believe in him.

(John 12:38) This was to fulfill the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah: “Lord, who has believed our message, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?”

(John 12:39) And so they could not believe, because Isaiah also said,

(John 12:40) “He has blinded their eyes and hardened their heart, so that they might not look with their eyes, and understand with their heart and turn—and I would heal them.”

(John 12:41) Isaiah said this because he saw his glory and spoke about him.

(John 12:42) Nevertheless many, even of the authorities, believed in him. But because of the Pharisees they did not confess it, for fear that they would be put out of the synagogue;

(John 12:43) for they loved human glory more than the glory that comes from God.

Write out the verse or verses you have been assigned below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Personal Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?