

Those Who Receive the Lord's Word Properly Will Be Blessed

(Luke 4:16-32)

Introduction:

1. This morning: "Let us receive the Lord's Word properly."
2. According to John 12:47-50, this is a requirement for the saved.
3. In our lesson we are pointing out a number of blessings available to those who properly receive the Lord's Word.
4. Before we consider 9 special blessings, . . .

Discussion:

- I. LET US FIRST EXAMINE HOW SOME PEOPLE IN THE BIBLE REACTED TO THE LORD'S TEACHING
 - A. The people in Nazareth reacted positively and negatively (Luke 4:16-29).
 - B. The people in Capernaum "*were astonished at His doctrine*" (Luke 4:30-32).
 - C. The people by Galilee "*pressed upon Him to hear the Word of God*" (Luke 5:1).
 - D. Publicans and sinners drew near to Jesus to hear Him (Luke 15:1).
 - E. "*The common people hear Him gladly*" (Mark 12:37).
 - F. These examples show how people reacted differently to the Lord's teaching; however, . . .
- II. 9 SPECIAL BLESSINGS ARE AVAILABLE TO THOSE WHO RECEIVE THE LORD'S WORD PROPERLY
 - A. "Increasing our knowledge of Christ" (2 Peter 3:18; John 5:39)
 - B. "Knowing the truth that will make us free" (John 8:31-32)
 - C. "Having Christ and the Father abide with us" (John 14:23)
 - D. "Having our prayers answered" (John 15:7)
 - E. "Building us up" (Acts 20:32)
 - F. "Increasing our faith" (Romans 10:17)
 - G. "Equipping us completely to do God's will" (2 Timothy 3:16-17)
 - H. "Saving our souls" (James 1:21)
 - I. "Spiritual growth" (1 Peter 2:2)

Conclusion:

1. Today we have studied a number of passages that relate a very important lesson.
2. "Let us receive the Lord's Word properly."