

Valley Bible Church – Sermon Notes

Sermon Notes for May 27, 2007

"Why the World Hates Christians"

John 15:21-25

The world hates us because we are not of this world (John 15:17-19).

The world hates us because the world hates Christ (John 15:20).

The world hates us because they do not know God (John 15:21-25).

If people do not know God it is because they have chosen to suppress the truth in unrighteousness (Romans 1:18-21).

There is no greater expression of the world's rejection of God's revelation in respect to Himself than in their rejection of Christ, the light of the world (John 3:19-20).

The world, in rejecting Christ, rejected His words (John 15:22).

The world, in rejecting Christ, not only rejected His words but also His works (John 15:24).

Rejecting God's full revelation of Himself very likely will make a person's future judgment certain (Hebrews 6:4-6).

Psalms 35:19 and Psalms 69:4 prophesied that the world would hate Christ without cause and Christ confirmed in John 15:25 that is exactly what happened.

May God give us the grace as the ambassadors of Christ to go joyfully into a hostile world proclaiming the words and works of Christ with thanksgiving.