Heeding the Evidence Matthew 12:38-50 November 24, 2013

Main Point:

God has given you abundant evidence that Jesus is both King and Savior; therefore, heed the evidence and know that you belong to the blessed family of God.

1. God has given you abundant evidence that Jesus is both King and Savior. (vv. 38-40)

2. The evidence calls you to submit to Jesus as King and Savior. (vv. 41-45)

3. Those who heed the evidence belong to the blessed family of God. (vv. 46-50)

Quotations and Cross-References

Acts 2:32, 36 ³² "This Jesus God has raised up, of which we are all witnesses ... ³⁶ "Therefore let all the house of Israel know assuredly that God has made this Jesus, whom you crucified, both Lord and Christ." (NKJV)

Mark Ross "The crowning miracle of Jesus, the one that would put an end to all questions concerning his claims, his person, his power, and his authority, would be his resurrection from the dead."

R.C. Sproul "If we want a sign from God, all we need to do is open our Bibles."

Luke 12:47-48 ⁴⁷ "And that servant who knew his master's will, and did not prepare *himself* or do according to his will, shall be beaten with many *stripes*. ⁴⁸ "But he who did not know, yet committed things deserving of stripes, shall be beaten with few. For everyone to whom much is given, from him much will be required; and to whom much has been committed, of him they will ask the more. (NKJV)

John 6:40 ⁴⁰ For this is the will of my Father, that everyone who looks on the Son and believes in him should have eternal life ... (ESV)

2 Corinthians 1:20 ²⁰ For all the promises of God in Him *are* Yes, and in Him Amen, to the glory of God through us. (NKJV)

1 Peter 1:3-5 ³ Blessed *be* the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who according to His abundant mercy has begotten us again to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, ⁴ to an inheritance incorruptible and undefiled and that does not fade away, reserved in heaven for you, ⁵ who are kept by the power of God through faith for salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. (NKJV)