

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Week of December 10, 2023

Sermon Text Luke 20:27-40

41 But he said to them, "How can they say that the Christ is David's son? 42 For David himself says in the Book of Psalms, "The Lord said to my Lord, "Sit at my right hand, 43 until I make your enemies your footstool." 44 David thus calls him Lord, so how is he his son?" 45 And in the hearing of all the people he said to his disciples, 46 "Beware of the scribes, who like to walk around in long robes, and love greetings in the marketplaces and the best seats in the synagogues and the places of honor at feasts, 47 who devour widows' houses and for a pretense make long prayers. They will receive the greater condemnation."

Discussion Questions

- 1. What are some misconceptions about Jesus that you have heard of, and why do you think these misconceptions exist? Why is it so important, in a post-Christian America, to get Jesus right?
- 2. The Jewish religious leaders heard Jesus' teaching, saw His miracles, and could see evidence of His deity from the Scriptures. How could they be so blind to the truth of who Jesus was? Do you think it's harder or easier to believe in Jesus today? Explain.
- 3. In order to understand the significance of Psalm 110 you must first understand its context. (e.g. It's a Messianic Psalm; the Messiah would be a descendant of David, patriarchs would never call their descendants "lord") What context is necessary for people today to understand who Jesus is and why the Gospel is such good news?
- 4. Jesus reserved His harshest words for the Pharisees and scribes. Why do you think Jesus hated hypocrisy so much? In your opinion, why is hypocrisy so detrimental to the individual and those around them?
- 5. What do you think it takes for a hypocrite to repent and change his/her ways? How does the good news of the gospel help the hypocrite?