



Stuff They Didn't Teach Me In Sunday School



Episode 090 - No Middle Ground (Isaiah 1, 9)

Isaiah had a tough job—he had to shake up a nation that was increasingly provoking God's wrath by its unfaithfulness.

- Describe some destructive habits and behaviors people have without realizing the harm they are doing to themselves.
- What is the best way to wake up such people?

The people of Judah kept doing wrong to each other, but they easily convinced themselves their sacrifices and worship covered up their faithlessness. They could go and worship, then head right back into their sinful lives. In order to wake them up, God had Isaiah go right after their biggest conceit: their self-serving and empty worship.

- How can our worship end up being merely a trampling of God's court or a warming of a pew?
- How is worshipping like that dangerous for our eternal future?
- What do people mean when they say the church is full of hypocrites?
- Name some of our hypocritical behaviors that damage our witness the most?

Isaiah pounds away at the sins of Judah—and our sins as well, working to cut through our wrong thinking. Then he shares God's wonderful promise to save us through His Son who will become Man. More than any other Old Testament prophet, Isaiah presents Jesus Christ to us as the God-Man, our Savior and Lord.

- When God's Law has done its work, why is it so necessary to hear of the salvation Jesus won for us?
- How can you answer someone who rejects Christianity because they don't believe we can be saved without doing anything ourselves?
- Describe God's purpose for having us gather to worship.