

Jesus: Rejected or Received?

John 1:10-13

I. Jesus, the Creator came to the world, but the world rejected Him (John 1:10).

➤ Reasons why Christ is rejected

- The world pursues **sin** instead of the knowledge of Christ (Romans 1:18-20).
- The gospel seems **foolish** (1 Corinthians 1: 18-23; 2:13-15).
- People are **blinded** (distracted/fooled) by Satan (2 Corinthians 4:4; 11:13-14).

II. Jesus, the Messiah came to the Jews, but the Jews rejected Him (John 1:11).

➤ Examples of Rejection

- Herod
- Pharisees
- Enemies of the early church

III. All who “received” Jesus as God and believed in Him became children of God (John 1:12-13).

A. The Choice we must make – To **believe** in Christ (12a).

- Those who “receive” Christ are those who believe in Christ alone for eternal life (John 3:14-16; 36).

B. The Result of the Choice – We become **children of God** (12b).

- We join God’s family by spiritual birth, not physical (John 3:3-8).