

KINGDOM OF HEAVEN

***The Kingdom of Heaven
A Prophet Without Honor
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Has there ever been a time when you were rejected for your faith? How did that rejection affect you ?

Read Isaiah 53:3

How does knowing Christ was despised and rejected change our perspective when it happens to us? Does it bring you comfort to know he understands our suffering?

Read Matthew 9:36 and 15:30

Is it difficult for you to have compassion on those who come to Jesus (or church) for the wrong reasons?

Read Matthew 13:53-58 and Matthew 10:36

We see that Jesus was not honored in his hometown. What was the consequence of the way they treated him?

Read Matthew 21:8-11 and Matthew 27:23 and John 15:18

What caused the dramatic shift between Matthew 21 and Matthew 27? How have you seen a shift in society toward Christian values? How have you responded to that shift?

Read Luke 23:34 and Matthew 10:14

Is it hard for you to keep an open heart toward someone who has rejected Christ? What can you do to guard your heart in times of criticism or rejection due to your faith? What guidance does this scripture give us for these circumstances?

Read Ephesians 4:14 and 6:10-11

What does it look like for you to take a stand for your faith? What is the consequence for not taking a stand?

Read John 1:9-12 and Matthew 26:26-29

How does taking the Lord's supper affect you? Does remembering what Christ did for you affect your ability to love others who hurt or reject you?