

Discussion Guide for Why the World Hates Jesus

1. Read John 15:18-21 and briefly review the outline.

What parts of Sunday's lesson did you find helpful, enlightening, unclear or troubling?

2. The world hates Jesus because He exposes their deceptions with truth and their evil with righteousness.

Read John 3:16–20

How would you describe God's attitude towards the world in 3:16-17?

What is the simple choice to be made in 3:18?

What are some reasons that humans would reject Christ's offer?

What is the simple reason given by Jesus in 3:19-20?

What is the true attitude of the unbeliever towards Jesus?

Most people don't say they hate Jesus. Is what Jesus saying here really true? How can we see it even if they don't say it?

Read 2 Corinthians 4:1–6

How is the bondage of the unbeliever described in 4:3-4?

How have you seen this in your evangelistic efforts?

In the face of spiritual blindness, what are we called to do in 4:1-2?

How does this directly assault the forces of darkness?

What is the hope for the mission in 4:5-6?

How does this encourage you as you speak the truth to the spiritually blind and captive?