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27 "Now is my soul troubled. And what shall I say? 'Father, save me from this hour'? But for this purpose I have come to this hour. 28 Father, glorify your name." Then a voice came from heaven: "I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again." 29 The crowd that stood there and heard it said that it had thundered. Others said, "An angel has spoken to him." 30 Jesus answered, "This voice has come for your sake, not mine. 31 Now is the judgment of this world; now will the ruler of this world be cast out. 32 And I, when I am lifted up from the earth, will draw all people to myself." 33 He said this to show by what kind of death he was going to die. 34 So the crowd answered him, "We have heard from the Law that the Christ remains forever. How can you say that the Son of Man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of Man?" 35 So Jesus said to them, "The light is among you for a little while longer. Walk while you have the light, lest darkness overtake you. The one who walks in the darkness does not know where he is going. 36 While you have the light, believe in the light, that you may become sons of light."

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The crowd that observed Lazarus' resurrection witnessed. Pharisees saw / frustrated...

How was news of this sign spreading? [12:19-22; Lu.19:47-48; 1Cor.1:22](#)

Even some Greeks were wanting to see Jesus. Went to Philip, to Andrew, both to Jesus!

But Jesus was totally focused on what event? [12:23-24, 13:31-32; Lu.24:25-26; Heb.12:2](#)

The hour has come for the glorification of the Son. That is, His death, to bear much fruit!

What does Jesus teach us, believers, about living? [12:24-26; Gal.2:20; Isa.53:10-12](#)

We must 'die' to ourselves to bear eternal fruit. Follow/serve Jesus; the Father will honor!

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My soul is troubled. Yet, this is why I came! My prayer is 'Father, glorify your name'!

What explanation does Jesus give re the audible voice? [12:28-31, 16:5-11; Heb.2:14; 1Jn.3:8](#)

This voice is mostly for your sake. Now is the judgment of this world. Ruler (Satan) cast out.

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Jesus said 'When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people to myself'. Prophecy.

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Partly. Who is this 'Son of Man' who would be crucified? Besides, Christ remains forever!

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The Light (Christ) is among you a little while longer. Believe in the Light; be sons of Light.