

Sunday 12th May 2019 – John 10:22-30

Welcome:

What things might make you doubt that God loves you?

Worship:

Read **Psalm 139:1-16** together, then offer prayers of thanks and praise to God our Father.

Word:

Read John 10:22-30

Look at 4 things Jesus says which can strengthen our faith

1: I Did Tell You! *(Read v25a)*

- Do we actually hear the truths which are there in the Gospel?
- Who did Jesus actually say he was?
See **John 4:25-26 and John 8:58**
- Jesus was in fact pretty direct and clear as to who he is!

2: See and Believe. *(Read v25b)*

- Do we see what the Gospel story presents ... actions speak louder than words!
- So what do the miracles say about Jesus?
See **John 9:32-33 and John 6:14**

3: Receive the best gift of all. *(Read v28)*

- We have been given 'eternal life' through Jesus death and resurrection. Do you know that?
See **John 3:16 and John 3:36**
- What does eternal life mean to you?

4: Be Confident. *(Read v29)*

- As believers in Jesus Christ we become children of our heavenly Father.
See **John 1:12 and Ephesians 1:4-5**
- What does it mean to be a child of God?

My dear child, you must believe in God – in spite of what the clergy tell you *(Margot Asquith)*

Summary - We Are Special to God: *(Read v27-28)*

1. We are already known and loved by God – **Jeremiah 1:5**
2. We are valued – **Romans 5:6-8**
3. We are loved and special to God – **1 John 3:1**

Witness:

- Do any of the things you have discussed make you feel more confident in your Christian faith? If so – how?
- Will they help you to live as a child of God day by day?

Prayer: *(read Ephesians 3:17b-19)*

- Thank God for his love for you, and being adopted as his children.
- Pray for our church family that we will all know how much God loves us.
- Ask God to let his love be evident in the way you live your life each day.