



Daily Reflections

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Scripture

Matthew 11: 20-24

Jesus began to reproach the towns where most of his mighty deeds had been done, since they had not repented.
"Woe to you, Chorazin! Woe to you, Bethsaida! For if the mighty deeds done in your midst had been done in Tyre and Sidon, they would long ago have repented in sackcloth and ashes. But I tell you, it will be more tolerable for Tyre and Sidon on the day of judgment than for you. And as for you, Capernaum: Will you be exalted to heaven? You will go down to the netherworld. For if the mighty deeds done in your midst had been done in Sodom, it would have remained until this day. But I tell you, it will be more tolerable for the land of Sodom on the day of judgment than for you."

Our Scripture Reflection

Some of the people who had seen and heard Jesus scoffed at Him and closed their minds to Him completely. Why? They were "know it alls." They simply refused to believe that the Savior could come from a small, insignificant village such as Nazareth. Believe it or not, that attitude exists today.

Food for your Journey

The way to grow in holiness is to be around people more holy than ourselves. We hear their stray comments and absorb their judgment of what's important. We listen to their prayers and find that God is bigger than we'd thought.

—Oswald Chambers.

A Prayer from the Heart

Dear Jesus, Thank You for giving Your life for me. Help me to live a life that reveals to all people just how grateful I am to You. Amen.