

But Deliver Us from Evil Expectations

from the series

The Mystery of Babylon Revealed

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The Steps as to what Happened to Jesus

- 1) The people had expectations of Jesus
- 2) Jesus didn't fulfill their expectations
- 3) The people then rejected and despised Jesus because He wouldn't fulfill their expectations.
- 4) Jesus experienced sorrow and grief because of this rejection!

“All wondered at His knowledge of the law and the prophecies; and the question passed from one to another, “How knoweth this Man letters, having never learned?” No one was regarded as qualified to be a religious teacher unless he had studied in the rabbinical schools, and both Jesus and John the Baptist had been represented as ignorant

because they had not received this training.” {White; *Desire of Ages*, pg. 453}

“Long had they looked for a Messiah who would exalt and glorify them as a nation, and now that their expectations were not realized, they refused to receive him as their Redeemer. Even his chosen disciples were becoming impatient that he did not assume temporal authority, and his relatives were disappointed in him and rejected him.” {White; *Spirit of Prophecy*, Vol. 2, pg. 235}

“The Jews refused to receive Christ, because He did not come in accordance with their expectations. The ideas of finite men were held as infallible, because hoary with age. This is the danger to which the church is now exposed--that the inventions of finite men shall mark out the precise way for the Holy Spirit to come.” {White; *Testimonies to Ministers*, pg. 64}

“Have you come to Him, renouncing all your makeshifts, all your unbelief, all your self-righteousness? Come just as you are, weak, helpless, and ready to die.” {White; *Manuscript Releases*, Vol. 21, pg. 229}