

INTRODUCTION

1. The temptation to seek men's approval at the risk of God's disapproval. Jn 12:42-43; Gal 1:10
2. Rm 8:31 tho everyone be against us, God is for us [Jer 50:31]. God is for us: seen in His gift of grace: *His own Son* - v32.

1st: The Giver

1. *He* = God of v31 - the Father.
2. Jn 3:16. Jesus is the revelation of Father's love for us.

2nd: The Gift

1. *His own Son* - Trinity & the mystery of the rlnshp tw/ Father & Son.
2. Mt 11:27 mutual knowledge, love w/i Godhead. Jesus' deity - Jn 10:33
3. *His own Son* = intimate love - unique to Godhead: incomprehensible. We can only know God as He is pleased to reveal Himself.
 - i. We sentimentalize this phrase. But, altho we are like God, God is not like us. We image Him. He does not image us [idolatry].
 - ii. We can relate to *His own Son*, but not comprehend: worship, wonder
4. Gn 22:1-2 1) *your son*, 2) *your only son*, 3) *whom you love*, 4) *Isaac*. Isaac as a "type" of Christ: embodies Abraham's hope for salvation.
5. So too, *His own Son* = Creator & Redeemer: our hope for salvation.
6. Meditate: *His own Son*. "The Most Important Question Ever Asked in the History of Mankind" - *But who do you say that I am?* Signed, Jesus. Jesus is the Father's gift to you: *His own Son*.