

John 11:45-54

The Purpose of God in the Schemes of Men

1. The Jews' Mixed _____: (45-46)

- a. Many who had come with Mary believed in Jesus.
- b. Some told the Pharisees what Jesus had done.

2. The Priests' and Pharisees' Common _____: (47-48)

- a. What Jesus does: 'This man performs many signs' –John 4:48; 12:37
 - i. Everyone will _____ in Him. –John 1:7; 20:30-31
 - ii. The people will try to make Him _____. –John 6:15; 19:12
- b. What Rome will do: 'the Romans will come and take away both...'
 - i. 'Our place': their _____. –John 5:44
 - ii. 'And our nation': their _____. –John 3:1

3. Caiaphas' Expedient _____: (49-50)

- a. His rebuke: 'You know nothing at all' –John 7:54
- b. His reasoning: _____ is sacrificed for expediency. –John 18:14
 - i. 'It is better for _____ that one man should die for the people.'
 - ii. 'Not that the whole nation should perish.' –Lev 16:18-22

4. The LORD's Glorious _____: (51-52)

- a. _____: 'He did not say this on his own accord.' –Rev 17:17
- b. 'But being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would':
 - i. Die for the _____ nation. –John 12:13-13;
 - ii. Gather into _____ the scattered children of God. –John 10:15-16

5. Jesus' Strategic _____: (53-54)

- a. From that day on they plotted to put Jesus to death. –John 12:10
- b. Jesus no longer walked openly among the Jews. –John 12:35-39
- c. He went to the town of Ephraim near the wilderness. –John 10:40

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Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him, ⁴⁶ but some of them went to the Pharisees and told them what Jesus had done. ⁴⁷ So the chief priests and the Pharisees gathered the council and said, "What are we to do? For this man performs many signs. ⁴⁸ If we let him go on like this, everyone will believe in him, and the Romans will come and take away both our place and our nation." ⁴⁹ But one of them, Caiaphas, who was high priest that year, said to them, "You know nothing at all. ⁵⁰ Nor do you understand that it is better for you that one man should die for the people, not that the whole nation should perish." ⁵¹ He did not say this of his own accord, but being high priest that year he prophesied that Jesus would die for the nation, ⁵² and not for the nation only, but also to gather into one the children of God who are scattered abroad. ⁵³ So from that day on they made plans to put him to death.

⁵⁴ Jesus therefore no longer walked openly among the Jews, but went from there to the region near the wilderness, to a town called Ephraim, and there he stayed with the disciples.