

John 12:37–50

Introduction: The reality of belief

1. The sobering nature of unbelief

a) Would not (*cf* 2:23, 3:2, 7:31, 9:16, 11:47, 12:37)

b) Could not (*cf* *Is* 53:1, 6:10)

2. The tragic irony of false belief (*cf* 5:44)

3. The urgent wonder of true belief

a) Urgent, for eternal life is at stake

b) Wonderful, for eternal life is given

Conclusion: That we might believe