

## John 12:37

***But although He had done so many signs before them, they did not believe in Him,***

People want to see signs and wonders and miracles, and in today's verse we read that Jesus "***had done so many signs before them***" and the results were that "***they did not believe in Him***"

Even today, when Christmas comes around, people watch all these make you feel good movies about a Christmas miracle happening. These are not movies that are referring to the miracle of the virgin birth, but instead of homes being saved from the evil landlord, or that one person making it home just in time for Christmas, or that lost dog who travels through several states to get home on Christmas morning, and on and on.

But do you realize that after that movie is over, people need another one. I know there are some channels that do a month of Christmas movies until Christmas day, because they know that people feed off of these make you feel good movies during the holidays, and they make big bucks off of them. So, if we know that, then how much more does God and Jesus know that!

Yet people still say things like, "*If God would do a miracle then I would believe*" or they are looking for some type of sign or wonder or bolt of lightening to hit them, because they want the excitement of those things, but not really salvation.

People look for a church where the music and the message make them feel good, because they have made church and Christianity all about how they feel. They even see all these skits and plays and special programs during Christmas at church, but when that's gone, they seek another church that will entertain them, and are usually church hoppers, going from church to church, seeking entertainment, but not a life change.

But the truth is that after today's verse which says that "***He had done so many signs before them, they did not believe in Him***", that a couple verses later Jesus said.

† **John 12:44** *Then Jesus cried out and said, "He who believes in Me, believes not in Me but in Him who sent Me."*

Jesus is saying, believe in Me (Jesus) and the Father (God). Not, let Me show you some awesome sign or wonder or miracle, but simply believe without the signs and wonders. Because, once again, if you are looking for signs and wonders from Jesus, then you are looking to be entertained, and not salvation.

† **Mark 8:12** *But He sighed deeply in His spirit, and said, "Why does this generation seek a sign? Assuredly, I say to you, no sign shall be given to this generation."*