

Why Was Jesus Rejected...and Ultimately Crucified?

*"He came to that which was his own,
but his own did not receive him" - John 1: 11*

Tim Maddock

1. Jesus was "too familiar" (Mark 6: 1-6)
2. He did some scary things! (Luke 8: 37)
3. His teachings didn't "take root" (Matthew 13)
4. He embraced the outcast; he was a "friend of sinners"
5. Jewish leaders found him offensive, a "threat", and were envious of him (John 11: 48)
6. But ultimately, Jesus was crucified because...(Isaiah 53: 4-6 and 10-12)

Jesus is Still Rejected Today

- He threatens our "freedoms", which in reality are chains (John 3: 19-21)
- In our pluralistic "buffet" mindset, his exclusive claims offend many

Let's Be Clear About Who We Are, Who Jesus Is, and the Cost of Following Him

- Jesus wants you to come to Him, but with eyes wide open (Luke 14)
- You and I are sinners...Jesus came to save sinners...it cost him everything
- Jesus makes it plain your life will never be the same...
there has been a shift in loyalty!
- *Have you decided to follow Jesus?*