

(Acts 26:17-18) "I will deliver you from the Jewish people, as well as from the Gentiles, to whom I now send you, {18} 'to open their eyes, in order to turn them from darkness to light, and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and an inheritance among those who are sanctified by faith in Me.'"

3. They want signs/proof beyond the _____,
verses 38-39

(Matthew 16:1) "Then the Pharisees and Sadducees came, and testing Him asked that He would show them a sign from heaven."

(Joel 2:30-31) "'And I will show wonders in the heavens and in the earth: Blood and fire and pillars of smoke. {31} The sun shall be turned into darkness, And the moon into blood, Before the coming of the great and awesome day of the LORD.'"

(Luke 2:34) "Then Simeon blessed them, and said to Mary His mother, "Behold, this Child is destined for the fall and rising of many in Israel, and for a sign which will be spoken against"

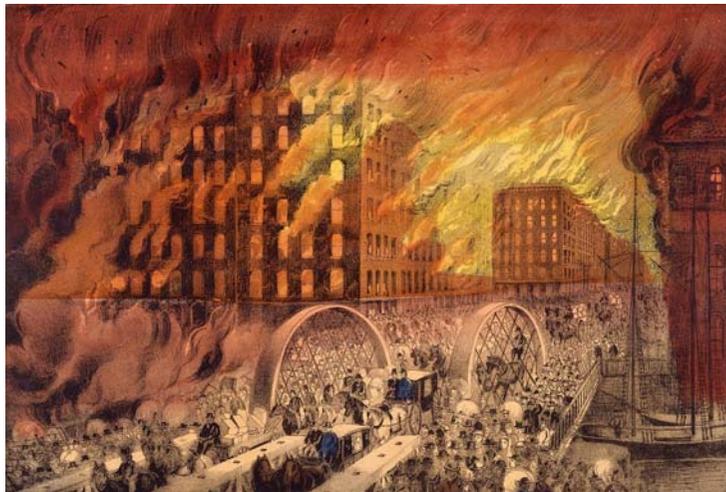


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4. They remain _____, verse 41

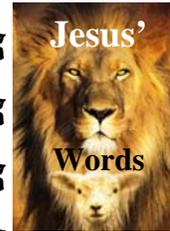
(Jonah 3:5-6) "So the people of Nineveh believed God, proclaimed a fast, and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least of them. {6} Then word came to the king of Nineveh; and he arose from his throne and laid aside his robe, covered himself with sackcloth and sat in ashes."

5. They are _____ for having met Jesus,
verses 43-45



The Great

Chicago Fire



Signs



(1 Corinthians 1:22) "For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom;"

In Matthew 12:38-45 Jesus makes 5 statements about those who demand signs/proof:

1. They are already given _____ signs/ _____ proof, verse 40

(Luke 16:27-31) "'Then he said, 'I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house, {28} 'for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.' {29} 'Abraham said to him, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' {30} 'And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if one goes to

them from the dead, they will repent.' {31} 'But he said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.'"

(Jonah 1:17) "Now the LORD had prepared a great fish to swallow Jonah. And Jonah was in the belly of the fish three days and three nights."

(Jonah 2:10) "So the LORD spoke to the fish, and it vomited Jonah onto dry land."

(John 10:17) "'Therefore My Father loves Me, because I lay down My life that I may take it again."

(Romans 1:4) "and declared to be the Son of God with power according to the Spirit of holiness, by the resurrection from the dead."

2. They are _____ to the _____, verse 42

(1 Kings 10:1) "Now when the queen of Sheba heard of the fame of Solomon concerning the name of the LORD, she came to test him with hard questions."

(1 Kings 10:3) "So Solomon answered all her questions; there was nothing so difficult for the king that he could not explain it to her."

(1 Kings 10:6) "Then she said to the king: "It was a true report which I heard in my own land about your words and your wisdom."

(Colossians 2:3) "in whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge."

(2 Corinthians 4:4) "whose minds the god of this age has blinded, who do not believe, lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God, should shine on them."

(Acts 9:17-18) ".. "Brother Saul, the Lord Jesus, who appeared to you on the road as you came, has sent me that you may receive your sight and be filled with the Holy Spirit." {18} Immediately there fell from his eyes something like scales, and he received his sight at once; and he arose and was baptized."

