#### SERMON HANDOUT for March 24, 2024

# QUOTE OF THE WEEK

# LOVE IS A FABRIC THAT DOESN'T FADE WHEN WASHED IN THE WATER OF ADVERSITY AND GRIEF!

Elephant in the Room Sermon Series

# REJECTION

### (Cancel Culture!) Dr. Joshua Beckley, Senior Pastor John 6:37 NKJV

### INTRODUCTION

#### **Cancel Culture...**

- a phrase contemporary to the late 2010s and early 2020s
- used to refer to a cultural phenomenon in which some who are deemed to have acted or spoken in an unacceptable manner are ostracized, boycotted, or shunned.
- shunning may extend to:
  - $\circ$  Social or professional circles
  - Social media or in person
- most high-profile incidents involve celebrities
- those subject to this ostracism said to have been "CANCELED!"
- "Cancel Culture" has mostly negative connotations

### Call-Out Culture

- used by some as more *positive* verbiage for the same concept.

#### Bottom line... Cancel Culture is REJECTION!

- Rejecting those who do not fit into their paradigm of thinking and beliefs...

# THREE THINGS TO KNOW ABOUT REJECTION

### 1) Rejection has a <u>REDEEMER</u>

John 6:37 NKJV - All that the Father gives Me... Father (Greek: pater)

- a) Give (Greek: didomi) produce, allow, appoint, to make or to cause.
- b) Job 19:25 NKJV
- c) Isaiah 54:7-8 NKJV

# 2) Rejection has a <u>RECOURSE</u>

John 6:37 NKJV - ...will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me...

- a) Who comes (Greek: erchomai) Go... (repentance and surrender)
- b) Matthew 11:28 NKJV
- c) Acts 3:18-19 NKJV
- d) Romans 2:2-6 NKJV

# 3) Rejection has a <u>RECOGNIZER</u>

John 6:37 NKJV - ...I will by no means cast out.

- a) **By No Means** (Greek: *me*) No wise, not (for any reason)
- b) Cast Out (Greek: ekballo) drive out, expels, throw out, sent out, REJECT
- c) 1 Samuel 8:7 NKJV
- e) John 1:10-11 NLT

### THOSE WHO ARE REJECTED

#### God wants you to know...

- † John 16:27 NKJV
- † Romans 5:8 NKJV
- † 1 Corinthians 2:9 NKJV