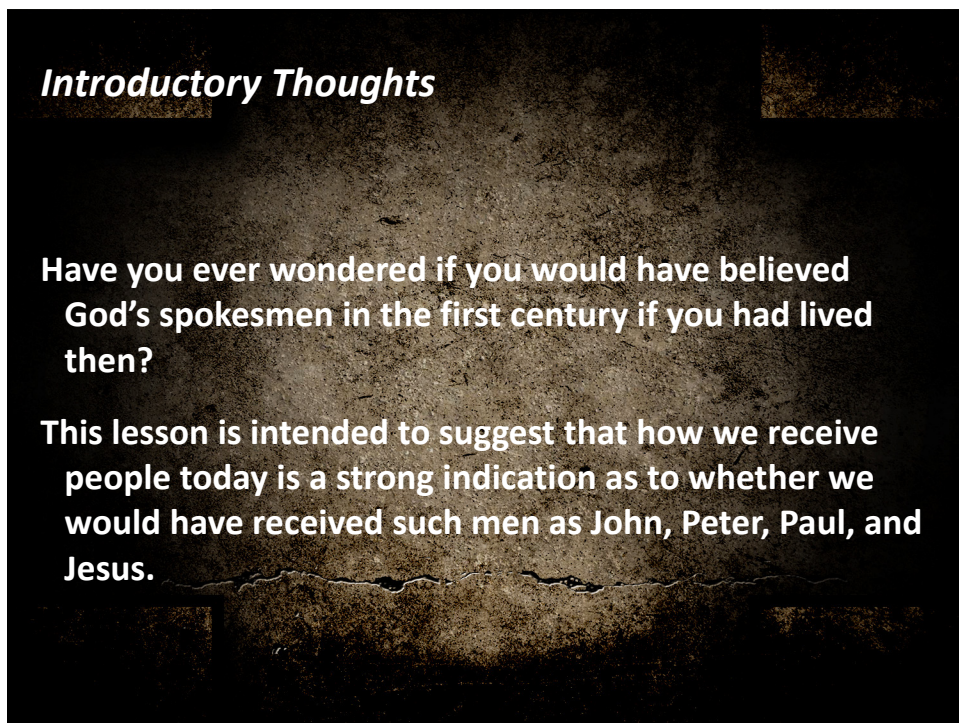




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Would We Have Received John the Baptist?

Facts about John.

He did his preaching in the wilderness, forcing people to come out to him if they wanted to hear Him - Matthew 3:1-2.

He dressed himself in camel's hair, wore a leather girdle, and ate locusts and wild honey - Matthew 3:4.

He called religious people who came to hear him preach, a brood of vipers - Matthew 3:7.

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Would We Have Received the Apostle Peter?

Facts about Peter.

Peter lacked a formal education, and it showed - Acts 4:13.

Peter also denied Jesus three times - Matthew 26:69-75.

Peter's hypocrisy on one occasion caused a division in the church at Galatia - Galatians 2:11-13.

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Would We Have Received the Apostle Paul?

Facts about Paul.

He had been a blasphemer and a persecutor of the church –
1 Timothy 1:13.

He was not a fluent speaker - 1 Corinthians 2:3-4.

He had a physical appearance that was described as “weak” –
2 Corinthians 10:10.

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Closing Remarks

Again, the point of this lesson is to suggest that how we receive people today is a strong indication as to whether or not we would have received men such as John, Peter, and Paul.

While I’m sure we would all like to think that we would have been quick to listen and believe their message, perhaps we might have acted differently.

But there’s another way to determine if we would have believed them back then — Have we obeyed Them today?

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