

Why did the people get mad?

Luke 4:28-31, 16-27

The people desired proof, v.23

“Physician, heal thyself”

His brothers: John 7:1-5

**Nothing wrong with proof:
John 20:26-27, 30-31; Acts 1:1-3**

**The people rejected what the signs meant, no
reason to do them: Matt. 12:38-45**

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**No prophet is accepted in his own country,
v.24**

“Is this not Joseph’s son?”, v.22

**The people allowed familiarity to warp their
judgment of Jesus’ words**

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**Just because Elijah did not do miracles in Israel,
did that make him any less from God? v.25-27**

**Elijah was not sent to the widows of Israel, but a
widow of Sidon, I Kings 17:9, 10**

**Elijah was not sent to heal the lepers of Israel,
but Naaman of Syria, II Kings 5:1ff**

**If Jesus did not do signs, did it make him any
less from God? Matt. 13:53ff; (John 10:41)**

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Because He likened Himself to Elijah who did miracles for Gentiles, and was rejected by his own

The people could not contradict the words of Jesus

They wanted signs, and yet had no intention of believing

To believe, they had to accept Jesus was sent from God

What can this teach us?

Luke 4:23-31

Do we need signs to assure us in our faith?

When faced with words that condemn, do we strike back, become defensive?

When someone we know tells us something that condemns us, do we dismiss it or let our judgment become warped?