I told You So! (Luke 12:54-56)

Introduction: Oh those four words – "I told you so...."

- I. SADLY, THERE ARE MANY PEOPLE WHO BELIEVE GOD IS

 JUST WAITING TO DECLARE –"I TOLD YOU SO"
 - A. This is the story in so much of Holy Scripture (Gen.3; Judges 2:17; Matt.23:37)
 - B. But this is NOT God's desire! (Ezekiel 33:11)
 - C. This is Not God's desire for Judgment Day
 - D. Consider that In Jesus, God does not say "I told you so," but "I love you so!" (Jn.3:16)

II. TOO MANY PEOPLE DO NOT BELIEVE GOD LOVES THEM

- A. Sin, Satan, and our evil world make people question God's intentions toward them
- B. The Pharisees of Jesus' day (and the "Pharisees" of today) keep wanting to point to an "I-told-you-so" God
- C. In our own hearts we sinful people often see God as a judgmental, "I told-you-so" God
- D. God's desire is not to declare –"I told you so", but <u>"I love</u> you so!" (Jn. 3:16 & 17)

Conclusion: "More than all the dollars, lira, francs, marks, yen & pounds in the world!"