John Lesson 25

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INTRODUCTION

- Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free. He made one of the greatest statements ever known to mankind.
- Jesus made a bold claim. He said, I am the light of the world.
- Through Jesus Christ, there is the illumination of truth, and error is exposed.

1 If Ye Continue in My Word

John 8:31–32; 1 John 2:3–5; 1 John 5:3

- If ye continue in my word, then are ye my disciples indeed, and ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you free.
- Jesus said that the test of true discipleship is determined by whether or not you continue in my word.
- Hereby we do know that we know him if we keep his commandments. He that saith I know him and keepeth not his commandments is a liar, and the truth is not in him.
- Love is that which is proven by our obedience.

2 Whosoever Committeth Sin Is the Servant of Sin

John 8:34–36; Romans 6:16–18; Romans 6:3–5

- Verily I say unto you, whosoever committeth sin is the servant of sin. If the son therefore shall make you free, ye shall be free indeed.
- Sin puts one in bondage. But through Jesus Christ there can be freedom. We can be delivered from sin, forgiven of sin.
- You can either be a servant of the devil or a servant of the Lord, and it's a matter of choice.
- Ye have obeyed from the heart that form of doctrine which was delivered you. Being then made free from sin, you became the servants of righteousness.
- So many of us as were baptized into Jesus Christ were baptized into his death. Therefore we are buried with him by baptism into death.
- The dividing line between lost and saved has to do with an attitude of faith, a faith that is obedient, or a faith that is dead by the failure to obey.

3 If Ye Were Abraham's Children

John 8:37–42; Galatians 3:7–8; Galatians 3:26–29

- If ye were Abraham's children, ye would do the works of Abraham.
- On the one hand, you are Abraham's lineage in the flesh. you are not Abraham's children. Because spiritually you do not have the attitude of Abraham.
- Know ye therefore that they which are of faith, the same are the children of Abraham.

- For as many of you as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ.
- You're Abraham's seed if you walk by faith like Abraham did.

4 Why Do Ye Not Understand My Speech?

John 8:43–47; Matthew 13:13–15; 2 Thessalonians 2:10

- He that is of God heareth God's words.
- It wasn't that the truth had become incomprehensible. they themselves had closed their own minds.
- We can have the Bible open and be closed minded. We can read the scriptures and not understand them.
- Recognize that attitudes make the difference.
- These Jews would rather believe a lie than the truth. They were religious, but they rejected Jesus.

5 I Honor My Father

John 8:48–50

- Jesus answered, I have not a devil, but I honor my Father, and you do dishonor me. I seek not mine own glory.
- About all the devil has to do when he cannot really answer truth is to stir up emotions, name calling.
- By the very fact that you dishonor me, you dishonor the Father.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Who do you honor? Are you trying to do what you want to do, or do you try to do what God wants you to do? If you honor the Father, you will obey his will.**

MY NOTES