

# *Light and Life:* Jesus in the Gospel of John

Today's message: **Stand Amazed**

John 5:18-29

<sup>18</sup> This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God.

## 2 reactions of the Jews

- 1 – Legalism – Outward deeds VS. Inward posture
- 2 – Outrage – Jesus claims to be God

<sup>19</sup> So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise. <sup>20</sup> For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing. And greater works than these will he show him, so that you may marvel. <sup>21</sup> For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will. <sup>22</sup> The Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son, <sup>23</sup> that all may honor the Son, just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him.

<sup>24</sup> Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life. <sup>25</sup> "Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. <sup>26</sup> For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself.

<sup>27</sup> And he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man. <sup>28</sup> Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice <sup>29</sup> and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.

## 4 Amazing claims of Jesus

1. God the Father and Jesus are \_\_\_\_\_

Colossians 1:19-20 - <sup>19</sup> For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup> and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

2. Jesus has power over \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_

Rev. 1:18 – <sup>18</sup> and the living one. I died, and behold I am alive forevermore, and I have the keys of Death and Hades.

3. Belief in Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ results in \_\_\_\_\_ life

John 14:6 - <sup>6</sup> Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.

4. All \_\_\_\_\_ belongs to Jesus

2 Cor. 5:10 - <sup>10</sup> For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive what is due for what he has done in the body, whether good or evil.

### 3 challenges

1. God wants our \_\_\_\_\_ and not just our outward  
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1 Samuel 16:6-7 - <sup>6</sup> When they came, he looked on Eliab and thought, "Surely the Lord's anointed is before him." <sup>7</sup> But the Lord said to Samuel, "Do not look on his appearance or on the height of his stature, because I have rejected him. For the Lord sees not as man sees: man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart."

Matthew 23:27 - <sup>27</sup> "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you are like whitewashed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within are full of dead people's bones and all uncleanness.

2. The spiritual condition of those around us should drive us  
to \_\_\_\_\_

Ephesians 2:1-5 - <sup>1</sup> And you were dead in the trespasses and sins <sup>2</sup> in which you once walked, following the course of this world, following the prince of the power of the air, the spirit that is now at work in the sons of disobedience— <sup>3</sup> among whom we all once lived in the passions of our flesh, carrying out the desires of the body and the mind, and were by nature children of wrath, like the rest of mankind. <sup>4</sup> But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, <sup>5</sup> even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ—by grace you have been saved.

3. You are either \_\_\_\_\_ in your sin or \_\_\_\_\_ in  
Christ ...no other options