

*That You May Believe* – The Gospel of John  
Lesson Five – John 7-8

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Chapter 7:

- I Jesus decides not to go with his brothers to the \_\_\_\_\_ of \_\_\_\_\_.
- A. This feast was celebrated in the fall at the end of the \_\_\_\_\_.
1. This was one of four annual feasts when the Jews were to go to \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Jews built temporary shelters and lived in them for 7 days to commemorate the \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Jesus' brothers urge him to go to the feast.
1. Most likely these are Jesus' \_\_\_\_\_, born of Joseph and Mary. (Mark 6:3 mentions four brothers by name and also mentions sisters.)
  2. Verse 5 says they did not \_\_\_\_\_ in Him.
    - a. Maybe they just misunderstood and wanted Jesus to be a more \_\_\_\_\_ figure.
    - b. Maybe they knew of the Jews plot to \_\_\_\_\_ him and wanted him dead.
- C. Jesus tells them his \_\_\_\_\_ has not yet \_\_\_\_\_.
1. Jesus operated on God's \_\_\_\_\_ and not his own.
  2. Jesus' brothers belonged to the world, but Jesus belonged to the \_\_\_\_\_ and was therefore rejected (hated) by the world.
- II Jesus chooses to go later to the feast.
- A. Jesus goes \_\_\_\_\_. He did not want to bring all the quiet \_\_\_\_\_ about who he was out in the open.
- B. \_\_\_\_\_ through the feast, Jesus begins to teach publicly.
1. The Jews were amazed that Jesus was so knowledgeable about the scriptures even though he had not ever been a disciple of a recognized \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. The more Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ the more the crowds idea about him changes.  
Look at the following verses:
    - a. 12a: "He is a \_\_\_\_\_ man."
    - b. 12b: "He \_\_\_\_\_ people."
    - c. 20: "You are \_\_\_\_\_."
    - d. 26: "Have the \_\_\_\_\_ really concluded that he is the Christ?"
    - e. 31: "When the Christ comes will he do more \_\_\_\_\_ than this man?"
    - f. 40: "Surely this man is the \_\_\_\_\_."
    - g. 41: "He is the \_\_\_\_\_."
- C. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ his teaching and says that it comes from the Father.
1. If a person chooses to do \_\_\_\_\_ they will realize that Jesus' teaching comes from God.
  2. Jesus did not come to honor \_\_\_\_\_ (as did so many teachers of the law), but he came to honor the Father who sent him.
- D. Jesus confronts the Jews about their plot to kill him.
1. The Jews deny this charge. They think he must be \_\_\_\_\_ if he can know what they are up to.
  2. He explains how their judgment of him is \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. They do the Lord's work (\_\_\_\_\_ babies) on the Sabbath.

- b. Why should he do the Lord's work of \_\_\_\_\_ on the Sabbath?
- 3. Notice – Jesus does not say it is \_\_\_\_\_ for them to judge.
  - a. They were wrong because they were judging by \_\_\_\_\_.
  - b. Jesus challenges them to make a \_\_\_\_\_ judgment instead.

III The people are \_\_\_\_\_ over Jesus.

- A. Many people believed he was the \_\_\_\_\_ or the \_\_\_\_\_. (While some Jewish traditions blended the role of the Prophet and the Christ, others saw them as separate.)
  - 1. He was speaking publicly and no one was trying to \_\_\_\_\_ him at first.
  - 2. They saw his \_\_\_\_\_ as proof that he was from God.
  - 3. His teaching about \_\_\_\_\_ caused many to believe. How is Jesus like water?
    - a. \_\_\_\_\_.
    - b. \_\_\_\_\_.
    - c. \_\_\_\_\_.
- B. Many others believed that he could \_\_\_\_\_ be the Christ
  - 1. Jesus was disqualified in their eyes because he came from \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. Some thought that no one would \_\_\_\_\_ where the Messiah came from.
    - b. Others said the Messiah must come from \_\_\_\_\_, from David's line.
    - c. The Jews in Jerusalem thought the people from \_\_\_\_\_ were country hillbillies.
  - 2. Many wanted to \_\_\_\_\_ him but did not.
    - a. Maybe because so many believed and a \_\_\_\_\_ would have started.
    - b. Maybe prevented by the \_\_\_\_\_ until the proper time

IV John uses \_\_\_\_\_ effectively in this chapter to show that Jesus is superior to the Jews

- A. vs. 25-29 – The Jews thought they know where Jesus had come from but they were wrong.
  - 1. In a \_\_\_\_\_ sense – Jesus was from the family of David and was born in Bethlehem, although he was raised in Nazareth in Galilee.
  - 2. In a \_\_\_\_\_ sense – Jesus was the Son of God who came from heaven.
- B. vs. 33-36 – They \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus when he said they could not follow.
  - 1. They scoffed at the idea he might go and preach to the \_\_\_\_\_.
  - 2. Jesus' message did go out from Judea to the \_\_\_\_\_.
- C. vs. 45-46 – The temple guards were so \_\_\_\_\_ with Jesus' message that they did not arrest him as told.
- D. vs. 47-52 – \_\_\_\_\_ stands up to the Pharisees.
  - 1. The Pharisees act \_\_\_\_\_ to everyone and point out that none of them has been deceived by Jesus.
  - 2. Nicodemus points out that Jesus should have a \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. This made them look bad, because of their previous statement.
    - b. They accuse him of being a \_\_\_\_\_ – a cut down in their eyes.
  - 3. They were also wrong in saying that a \_\_\_\_\_ does not come from Galilee.
    - a. \_\_\_\_\_ was from Galilee.
    - b. Isaiah 9:1-7 says that the \_\_\_\_\_ will come from Galilee.

## Chapter 8:

- I The woman caught in adultery. *(Note on verses 1-11: In the early Greek manuscripts this story is found in different locations in the book of John and sometimes even in other gospels. Although it does not appear to be an original part of the book of John, scholars agree that it is reliable as an actual event from the life of Jesus.)*
- A. The Pharisees and teachers of the law bring the woman to Jesus.
1. According to Jewish law in order to \_\_\_\_\_ someone there must be a witness to the act.
    - a. They must have set her up because they let the \_\_\_\_\_ go.
    - b. They can easily find sin in others but don't see it in \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. They were just using the woman as \_\_\_\_\_ in their trap to catch Jesus.
    - a. If He lets her go, He breaks the \_\_\_\_\_ law.
    - b. If He condemns her, He breaks the \_\_\_\_\_ law.
- B. Jesus \_\_\_\_\_ them as if He never heard them and stoops down to write in the sand.
1. Why ignore them?
    - a. Perhaps he was so \_\_\_\_\_ he needed time to collect himself.
    - b. Maybe he was \_\_\_\_\_ for the woman's sake.
  2. What did he write in the sand? There is no way to know for sure.
    - a. Maybe he listed the \_\_\_\_\_ of the men present.
    - b. He might have written down a passage of \_\_\_\_\_ like Exodus 23:1, "Do not help a wicked man by being an unrighteous witness."
    - c. Perhaps he just took some \_\_\_\_\_ to collect his thoughts.
    - d. The Romans had a practice of writing out a \_\_\_\_\_ before it was pronounced.
- C. Jesus gives his judgment. "If any of you is \_\_\_\_\_ sin, let him be the first to throw a stone."
1. In Jewish law the \_\_\_\_\_ to the sin would throw the first stones. Jesus is pointing out that the witnesses sinned by setting this woman up.
  2. The \_\_\_\_\_ leave first. They not only had the most sin, but also were the first to realize Jesus' point.
- D. Jesus challenges the woman to leave her life of sin.
1. He does not \_\_\_\_\_ her, nor does he declare her \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. He shows her \_\_\_\_\_ and calls her to \_\_\_\_\_.
- II Jesus has a long discussion with the Pharisees.
- A. Jesus proclaims, "I am the \_\_\_\_\_ of the world."
1. Light was an important symbol during the feast of Tabernacles.
    - a. God led the people through the desert at night with a pillar of \_\_\_\_\_.
    - b. As a symbol of this, the Jews would walk behind a golden \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. Think of as many ways as you can that Jesus is like light.
    - a.
    - b.
    - c.
- B. Jesus defends his testimony about \_\_\_\_\_.
1. The Pharisees criticize Jesus for being his own witness.
    - a. Jesus says his testimony is valid because the \_\_\_\_\_ testifies with him.
    - b. In Jewish law, if \_\_\_\_\_ witnesses agreed then their testimony was valid.

- c. The Jews ask where his father is – possibly an \_\_\_\_\_ referring to the mysterious circumstances surrounding his birth.
  - d. In John 5:31 Jesus says his testimony is not valid because the Jews \_\_\_\_\_ it.
2. Jesus again makes claims to be from \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. vs. 19 – “If you knew me you would know my Father.”
    - b. vs. 21 – “Where I go you cannot come.”
    - c. vs. 23 – “I am from above...I am from another world.”
  3. The Pharisees still do not understand. It seems they do not \_\_\_\_\_ to.
    - a. vs. 22 – “Will he kill himself?” \_\_\_\_\_ on their part, maybe.
    - b. vs. 25 – “Who are you?”
    - c. vs. 27 – “They did not understand he was telling them about his father.”
  4. Jesus hints about the crucifixion, saying they will understand when he is “\_\_\_\_\_.”
- C. The conversation shifts from Jesus origin to that of the \_\_\_\_\_.
1. Jesus says that if they know the truth about him it will \_\_\_\_\_ them \_\_\_\_\_.
  2. They Jews say they have never been \_\_\_\_\_ to anyone.
    - a. What about the Egyptians? Babylonians? Assyrians? Romans? – Hello?
    - b. John loves \_\_\_\_\_.
  3. Jesus tells them they are slaves to \_\_\_\_\_.
    - a. If they were Abraham’s children they would do what Abraham did – have \_\_\_\_\_.
    - b. The Jews then claim that their only Father is \_\_\_\_\_.
      - i. They just said that \_\_\_\_\_ was their Father. They can’t decide.
      - ii. They felt superior to everyone as God’s \_\_\_\_\_ people.
    - c. Jesus tells them that their true father is \_\_\_\_\_.
      - i. They want to \_\_\_\_\_ Jesus and Satan is a murderer.
      - ii. They keep \_\_\_\_\_ and Satan is the Father of lies.
- D. Jesus claims to be God himself.
1. The Jews say that Jesus must be \_\_\_\_\_ . They are getting \_\_\_\_\_ now.
  2. Jesus makes claims about himself.
    - a. He had the power to deliver people from \_\_\_\_\_.
    - b. His glory comes not from himself but from \_\_\_\_\_.
    - c. \_\_\_\_\_ rejoiced at the thought of Jesus’ coming.
  3. The Jews \_\_\_\_\_ at the idea that Jesus who is not even 50 years old could know Abraham.
    - a. Jesus says, “Before Abraham was born “\_\_\_\_\_.”
    - b. “I am” was the name \_\_\_\_\_ used for himself in the Old Testament
  4. Jesus makes seven other “I am” statements in the book of John.
    - a. 6:35 – “\_\_\_\_\_.”
    - b. 8:12 & 9:5 – “\_\_\_\_\_.”
    - c. 10:7,9 – “\_\_\_\_\_.”
    - d. 10:11,14 – “\_\_\_\_\_.”
    - e. 11:25 – “\_\_\_\_\_.”
    - f. 14:6 – “\_\_\_\_\_.”
    - g. 15:1,5 – “\_\_\_\_\_.”