



THE TESTIMONIES OF JESUS

John 5:31-47

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Good morning Church! How can we trust what Jesus says? Can we take Him at His word? Is the Bible consistent or inconsistent in declaring truth? Jesus addresses four types of testimony to establish His claims as Son of God.

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*"If I alone bear witness about myself, my testimony is not true. **32** There is another who bears witness about me, and I know that the testimony that he bears about me is true. **33** You sent to John, and he has borne witness to the truth. **34** Not that the testimony that I receive is from man, but I say these things so that you may be saved. **35** He was a burning and shining lamp, and you were willing to rejoice for a while in his light. **36** But the testimony that I have is greater than that of John. For the works that the Father has given me to accomplish, the very works that I am doing, bear witness about me that the Father has sent me. **37** And the Father who sent me has himself borne witness about me. His voice you have never heard, his form you have never seen, **38** and you do not have his word abiding in you, for you do not believe the one whom he has sent. **39** You search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me, **40** yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life. **41** I do not receive glory from people. **42** But I know that you do not have the love of God within you. **43** I have come in my Father's name, and you do not receive me. If another comes in his own name, you will receive him. **44** How can you believe, when you receive glory from one another and do not seek the glory that comes from the only God? **45** Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father. There is one who accuses you: Moses, on whom you have set your hope. **46** For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me. **47** But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe my words?"*

Deuteronomy 17:6

"On the evidence of two witnesses or of three witnesses the one who is to die shall be put to death; a person shall not be put to death on the evidence of one witness."

Deuteronomy 19:15

"A single witness shall not suffice against a person for any crime or for any wrong in connection with any offense that he has committed. Only on the evidence of two witnesses or of three witnesses shall a charge be established."

*"Again I say to you, if two of you agree on earth about anything they ask, it will be done for them by my Father in heaven. **20** For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them." **Matthew 18:19-20***

1. JOHN THE BAPTIST Identifies Jesus as the Son. (v 32-35)

2. Jesus' WORKS Identifies Him as the Son. (v 36)

John 20:30-31... "Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; **31** but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name."

3. GOD THE FATHER Identifies Jesus as the Son. (v 37-38)

"And when Jesus was baptized, immediately he went up from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming to rest on him; **17** and behold, a voice from heaven said, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." **Matthew 3:17**

4. The OLD TESTAMENT Scriptures Identifies Jesus as the Son. (v 39-47)

"how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus." **2 Timothy 3:15**

"who has made us sufficient to be ministers of a new covenant, not of the letter but of the Spirit. For the letter kills, but the Spirit gives life." **2 Corinthians 3:6**

Many people were deceived for two reasons:

- They did not LOVE God.
- They did not KNOW God.

Salvation through Jesus Christ

The single most important decision a person could ever make in their lifetime is to receive Jesus Christ as your Savior and Lord. The Bible says, "all have sinned and fall short of God's glory" and we don't deserve eternal life because the wages of sin is death". Yet through God's love, only "Christ gives us eternal life by grace through faith"... it is a gift of God. God's word says, That if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is LORD and believe in your heart God raised Him from the dead **YOU WILL BE SAVED. The Bible says to REPENT of your sins. BELIEVE in Jesus receiving His forgiveness.** Then, identify with Christ and start living a new life in obedience to God by being BAPTIZED.