

Living Connections Bible Study

Light of the World



Prayer

Text: John 8:12- 59

Icebreaker: How do men establish the truth in a case when presented in a court of law?

1. What fantastic claim to Deity did Jesus make in John 8:12?

2. Did the Pharisees accept this claim from Jesus? Verse 13

3. What were the Pharisees ignorant about when it came to Jesus' ancestry? Verse 14

4. Why were the Pharisees unable to come to a right conclusion regarding Jesus? And what superior insight did Jesus have over them? Verses 15 and 16

5. What two witnesses does Jesus call to the witness stand to confirm the truth/claims He made? Verses 17-18; Deuteronomy 19:15; Matthew 3:17; 17:5

6. What amazing response did Jesus have for the Pharisees when they questioned His ancestry? Verse 19-20; John 14:7-11

7. Where was Jesus going where the unbelieving Pharisees could not come? Verses 21-22

8. What important truth about the Lord Jesus from verses 23-24 is essential to our faith if we would go to Heaven? Exodus 3:14

You cannot deny the *virgin birth* and still go to Heaven. Jesus could not be the son of Joseph or of another man without being a son of Adam; which would make Him a sinner. He had to be the *virgin born* Son of God to pay our sin debt. We cannot deny the Deity of the Lord Jesus and still go to Heaven.

9. What truth had Jesus been telling the Jews about Himself from the beginning?
Verses 25-27, 29; John 5:16-23

10. What events surrounding Christ's crucifixion would convince many, including some of the Pharisees that Jesus is the *Great I AM* of the Old Testament?

11. What evidence should we find that one's faith is genuine in a true disciple/believer in Christ? Verses 30-32; 1 John 2:19

12. What kind of bondage did Jesus come to deliver us from? Verses 33-34

13. The Pharisees were descendants of Abraham, but who did Jesus say was their true spiritual father, and why? Verses 37-45

14. What evidence did Jesus present to these men that they were not of God?
Verses 42, 45-47

Think about it this week:

*But even if our gospel is veiled, it is veiled to those who are perishing,
whose minds the god of this age (Satan) has blinded,
who do not believe,
lest the light of the gospel of the glory of Christ, who is the image of God,
should shine on them.*

~2 Corinthians 4:3-4