

MESSAGE NOTES

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COME AND SEE | JESUS ON JESUS

JOHN 5:16-30

BIG IDEA

The great things Jesus does today is a taste of greater things yet to come!

INTRODUCTION

Two Questions:

1. What are you doing?
2. Who do you think you are?

The great things Jesus does today is a taste of greater things yet to come! But Jesus' great miracle left a bitter taste in the religious leaders' mouths!

- Jesus' great miracle is met with persecution instead of praise. (John 5:16-18)
 - o The great things Jesus does today is offered to everyone, but not celebrated by everyone.
 - o "But these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name." (John 20:31)
- Jesus' greater miracle is offered to everyone, but you need to receive His work and trust His identity.

How does Jesus answer their two questions?

Jesus' Answer: My works are His and His works are mine. I only do what I see the Father doing (verse 19).

How does Jesus being the judge of all bring Him honor?

- Jesus provides a way of escape from the Judgment.
- His judgments will be just and fair.
- Jesus is honored as Judge because He is also our Savior.

"For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory." (Colossians 3:3-4)

What do we know about that coming day of Judgment? (John 5:28-30)

What determines our destiny?

- It's faith in Jesus' good work, not our good works.
 - o "What must we do to perform the works of God?" Jesus replied, "The work of God is this: to believe in the one he has sent." (John 6:28-29)
 - o "For my Father's will is that everyone who looks to the Son and believes in him shall have eternal life, and I will raise them up at the last day." (John 6:40)

The great things Jesus does today is a taste of greater things yet to come! What kind of a taste does this teaching leave us?

- Are you offended? Consider Jesus' offer:
 - o Rest
 - o Wholeness
 - o Freedom
 - o New Life
- Do you want to get well? Which area of your life needs Jesus' grace and truth?
- Do you understand sin is what brings "something worse" in our lives while faith brings something more wonderful than we can even imagine?
- It's ironic that the very things they question, His work and identity, are the crux of our salvation. The facts that offended them are the very things that Jesus claims saves us! That which led them to hate Jesus are the very things that cause us to love Jesus—that He is the Son of God who died on the cross for our sins.