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The Power of a Testimony

John 5:30-47

I. The Testimony of John the Baptist (vv. 32-35)

- A. John the Baptist bore witness to the _____
(v. 33) [Jn 1:19-23, 25-27, 29-34; 3:27-30]
- B. Jesus fought to _____ souls not just to win arguments
(v. 34) [1 Pet. 3:15]
- C. John the Baptist was a _____ and shining lamp
(v. 35) [Jn. 1:6-8]

II. The Testimony of the Works of Christ (v. 36)

- A. _____ on account of the works
[Jn. 10:25, 38; 14:11]
- B. Believe on account of the _____
[Jn 3:2; Isa. 35:5-6; Matt. 11:2-5]

III. The Testimony of God the Father (vv. 37-38)

- A. The _____ God has borne concerning His Son
(v. 37a) [1 Jn. 5:9-10]
- B. The Father's _____ affirming the Son
(v. 37b) [Matt. 3:17; 17:5; Jn. 12:27-30]

- C. The _____ of God is for His children
(v. 38a) [Gen. 32:30; Ex. 33:11; Judg. 6:22; Isa. 6:5; Heb. 11:1-3]
- D. The _____ of the Father only abides in those
who believe in the Son (v. 38b) [1 Jn. 2:14; 4:13-14]

IV. The Testimony of the Holy Scriptures (vv. 39-44)

- A. The Scriptures clearly _____ to Jesus as the Lord
of life (vv. 39-41) [Lk. 24:44; 2 Pet. 1:19]
- B. The Scriptures must be _____ correctly by the help
of the Holy Spirit (vv. 42-43) [Jn. 1:11; 3:11, 32; 2 Pet. 1:20-21; 1 Jn. 2:27]
- C. The Scriptures bring _____ and glory not
other people (v. 44) [Rom. 2:29]

V. The Testimony of Moses (vv. 45-47)

- A. Moses _____ those who misinterpret
the law (v. 45) [Gal. 3:24]
- B. Moses _____ of Jesus
(v. 46) [Gen. 3:15; Num. 24:17; Deut 18:15; Lk. 24:27]
- C. Moses' writings and Jesus' words are a _____ not a
contradiction (v. 47) [Lk. 16:31]

TAKE HOME

- Do you accept the _____ that Jesus gave?
- Are the Scriptures _____ to bring conversion
and new life?
- Are you interpreting the Scriptures _____ by the
power of the Holy Spirit?

APPLICATION QUESTIONS

James 1:22 says, *“But be doers of the word, and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves.”* These questions are designed to help you apply today’s message to your life. We encourage you to thoughtfully answer these questions and discuss your answers with others. For more information about joining a Small Group that uses these questions as the basis for discussion, prayer, and accountability, please call the church office at (661) 259-2913.

1. Read John 30-35. What exactly was the testimony of John the Baptist? (Jn. 1:19-23, 25-27, 29-34; 3:27-30). How does reading through John the Baptist’s testimony strengthen your faith and your testimony to stand for Christ?

2. Read John 5:34 again. What does Jesus explain about the reason for Him listing John the Baptist as a witness? What do you think about this? How does 1 Pet. 3:15 give us a similar challenge?

3. Read John 5:36. How does Jesus encourage his audience to look at His works? (Jn. 10:25, 38; 14:11). How are these works Jesus did special signs pointing to His divinity? (Isa. 35:5-6; Matt. 11:2-5)

4. Read John 5:37-38. Was God’s voice ever given audibly to affirm His Son? (Matt. 3:17; 17:5; Jn. 12:27-30). Why didn’t the Jews hear His voice or see His form?

5. Read John 5:39-44. Even though the Scriptures are not exactly a person, why is their witness so important? How can you assure that you are interpreting the Scriptures correctly? What is the significance of 2 Pet. 1:19-21?

6. Read John 5:45-47. Did this last testimony surprise you? What does Jesus mean when He says, *“There is one who accuses you: Moses...”*? Where did Moses write of Jesus? (Gen. 3:15; Num. 24:17; Deut. 18:15) What is the significance of Luke 24:27?

7. Which one of the take home questions challenges you or encourages you the most? Why? How will you live differently this week based on what you have learned from this passage?

*“The New Testament is in the Old Testament concealed;
the Old Testament is in the New Testament revealed.”*

- Augustine of Hippo