

The Gospel of John: That You Might Believe

The Fourfold Witness: The Father

(John 5:30-47)

Introduction:

1. Christianity is a rational religion and the faith that we are commanded to possess is not a “leap in the dark,” but a faith that is based on evidence.
2. Jesus does not expect us to believe that he is the Son of God on his testimony alone, but rather he provides us with additional evidences.
 - a. John the Baptist.
 - b. The works of Jesus.
 - c. The Father.
 - d. The Scriptures.
3. Let’s examine the third evidence of Jesus’ claims - the testimony of the Father.

I. Background To The Text

- A. Jesus healed a man on the Sabbath as the Jews watched on with great disapproval (John 5:1-12).
- B. Their hatred grew even greater when Jesus claimed to be equal with God (John 5:18).
- C. Rather than leaving them with his own claim, he proceeds to provide the Jews with witnesses to his own claim.

II. The Testimony Of The Father

- A. At the birth of Jesus.
 1. (Matthew 1:21; Isaiah 7:14) Virgin birth.
 2. (Luke 2:8-20) Prophecy to the shepherds.
- B. At the baptism of Jesus.
 1. (Matthew 3:13-17).
 2. (John 1:32-34).
- C. At the transfiguration of Jesus.
 1. (Matthew 17:1-9).
 2. (1 Peter 1:12-21).
- D. At the crucifixion of Jesus.
 1. (Matthew 27:45-54).
 - a. Sun darkened, veil of the temple is torn, great earthquake, dead raised.
 2. Causes the Roman soldier to conclude, “truly, this was the Son of God.”

Conclusion:

1. As John stated (John 20:30-31), what is recorded in this book would be sufficient to bring one to faith in Christ.
2. Part of that convincing testimony came from God the Father, Himself.
3. What will you do with this Jesus, who is called the Christ (Matthew 27:22)?

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“These are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name”

(John 20:31).

Responses To The Identity of Jesus

- The Identity of Jesus
- The Woman at the Well
- The Believing Nobleman
- The Jews
- The Five Thousand
- The Adulterous Woman
- The Blind Man
- Lazarus
- Pilate
- Thomas
- Peter

The Fourfold Witness

- John The Baptist
- The Works of Jesus
- The Father
- The Scriptures

The Claims of Jesus

- I Am The Bread of Life
- I Am The Light of the World
- I Am The Door
- I Am The Good Shepherd
- I Am The Resurrection and Life
- I Am The Way, Truth, & Life
- I Am The True Vine

Today’s Lessons:

- A.M. - *The Identity of Jesus*
- P.M. - *The Fourfold Witness:
The Father*