



A Disciple Goes Fishing

John 5:16-30

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16 So, because Jesus was doing these things on the Sabbath, the Jewish leaders began to persecute him. 17 In his defense Jesus said to them, "My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too am working." 18 For this reason they tried all the more to kill him; not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God. 19 Jesus gave them this answer: "Very truly I tell you, the Son can do nothing by himself; he can do only what he sees his Father doing, because whatever the Father does the Son also does. 20 For the Father loves the Son and shows him all he does. Yes, and he will show him even greater works than these, so that you will be amazed. 21 For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, even so the Son gives life to whom he is pleased to give it. 22 Moreover, the Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son, 23 that all may honor the Son just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father, who sent him. 24 "Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life.

25 Very truly I tell you, a time is coming and has now come when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God and those who hear will live. 26 For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself. 27 And he has given him authority to judge because he is the Son of Man. 28 "Do not be amazed at this, for a time is coming when all who are in their graves will hear his voice 29 and come out—those who have done what is good will rise to live, and those who have done what is evil will rise to be condemned. 30 By myself I can do nothing; I judge only as I hear, and my judgment is just, for I seek not to please myself but him who sent me.

"Hamartolos" = I am a _____. I missed the _____.

1. You cannot be His disciple unless you _____.
_____. (Luke 14:33)

2. A disciple goes fishing (Luke 5:10)

- Fish with an unquestioning _____. (v.4)

- With an absolute _____. (v.11)

3. A disciple _____ (Luke 5:11)

LifeGroup Study Guide

John 5:16-30

Life in the Son

Who are some historical and current personalities that have made bold statements of greatness about themselves and what did they claim?

(Mohamed Ali, Hitler, Trump, Clinton)

In this passage, Jesus makes 4 claims about himself

As we come to John 5, the opposition toward Jesus is growing. Who was opposing Jesus and why? 5:16

When opposition comes, a choice needs to be made about how to respond. What are some of the choices that can be made?

How did Jesus respond? 5:17-30

What is Jesus' first claim about Himself? 5:17-18

What did the Jews think about this claim? Why?

In the OT, God is referred to as a Father (Jer 3:19; 31:9; Isa 3:16, 64:8; Deut 32:6; 1 Chron 29:10; Mal 1:6, 2:10; Psalm 103: 13), :but Jesus reference to Him as "My Father" was different and a claim to deity.

All three persons of the God-head (Trinity) are equal in character and glory, while being different persons and have distinct roles (we can never understand this)

How should we respond to Jesus since He is God?

What was Jesus' second claim about Himself? 5:19-21

He claimed to be the Son of God, yet totally dependent upon God. This is only true of Himself while in His earthly ministry.

Review the “The Sonlife Principle”

The Son cannot do anything in His own strength
The Son can do nothing of His own accord 19
I can do nothing on my own 30
Based on love of the Father 20-21

The Son can only do what the Father does
Father reveals what He is doing 21
He will do greater works 22
-Reminder of His voluntary limitations
John 17:5, Philippians 2

The Son does everything in the Spirit’s Power
Luke 3:21-22 Baptism ...On him
Luke 4:1 Temptation: ...Full, led
Luke 4:14 Galilee.. in the power of the HS
4:18 “The Spirit of the Lord is on me”
Luke 5:17 “The power of the Lord was present for him
to heal the sick”
Jesus never did anything in His own power during
His earthly ministry. He laid aside the independent use
of His divine attributes (He did not cease to be God; He
was totally God and totally man, and still is fully God
and fully man)

Since Jesus depended on the Father in this way, what does
this mean for our daily living the Sonlife?

Depending upon the Father means depending on the Triune
God for everything. “Without me you can do nothing” John 15:5

Jesus makes two more claims about Himself? 5:21-22 What are the two claims?

From 5:21-30, Jesus intertwines His claim to give life and be the
judge of all. Why are these two so closely tied together?

He Claims that He Can Give Life

Up to this point, Jesus had not raised anyone from the
dead. Who had raised people from the dead before? (Elijah)
Why is this such a bold claim?
(He was either a liar, a lunatic, or Lord)

To whom does Jesus give life?

5:21

5:24

What is the alternative to eternal life?

What is necessary for eternal life?

Hear My Word

Believe

If this is true, what is our role in evangelism?

Rom 10:13-15

Notice the tense of the verb: “has crossed over”

When does a person gain eternal life?

John 3:16 “...has eternal life”

What does the resurrection have to do with Him giving life?

He gives spiritual life: new birth 5:24

He gives physical life (resurrection) to the dead 5:25

When and how will this resurrection happen?

1 Thess 4:13-18

The Son has life in Himself John 1:4; 14:6. The fact that
the Father gave Him life is a reference to His life and life-giving
power in His humiliated state (Phil 2). There is no contradiction
to His claim to deity.

He Claims To Be The Judge Of All 5:22-23; 27-30

Who does the Father judge? Why? 5:22

Why has the Father appointed the Son as Judge 5:23

Who will come out of their graves? 5:28

Describe the resurrection of unbelievers?

This condemnation is also called the second death.
Jesus will judge at the Great White Throne
What do you learn about this judgment in
Rev 20:11-15?

Describe the resurrection of believers
(previous discussion 1 Thess 4)

What do you learn about the judgment for believers at the
judgment seat of Christ? 1 Cor 3:10-15; 2 Cor 5:6-10

Jesus claims to be the judge, but what does He say in
conclusion about the matter? 5:30

Application:

Since Jesus is God, I must _____

Since Jesus was dependent upon God the Father for everything,
I must _____ \

Since Jesus gives life, I must _____

Since Jesus is the Judge, I must _____