

IF YOU CONTINUE IN MY WORD, THEN YOU ARE Trul y Disciples of Mine. John 8:31



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Main Idea

Salvation is by God's grace through faith in Jesus. The faith that saves, however, is by no means merely the product of human reason or determination. Rather it is kindled in the believer's heart by God.

Applications to take away:

- God works in our lives through adversity. In fact, it is often through adversity that life's blessings come to us including salvation!
- The gospel is for all people. In John 4, Jesus saves both the "down and out" Samaritan woman at the well, and the influential and wealthy royal official.
- 3) As disciples of Jesus, we care called to share His gospel with others.

Questions for further contemplation and application after the message:

- #1 Bearing in mind the faith of many of the Samaritans, why do you think the Galileans mostly failed to see that Jesus was the Christ?
- #2 Why does religious privilege, as the Galileans had, frequently not lead to faith?
- #3 Why do you think Jesus initially rebuked the royal official when he implored Him to heal his son?
- #4 What differences and similarities are evident in the encounters Jesus had with the Samaritan woman and the royal official?

How do their stories fit together?