

Authority and Oneness

John 5:18-24

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BOSS

List of 5 worst bosses

GOOD LEADERS use AUTHORITY to BLESS.

John 5:18-24 -18 This was why the Jews were seeking all the more to kill him, because not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God. 19 So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing. For whatever the Father does, that the Son does likewise. 20 For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing. And greater works than these will he show him, so that you may marvel.

21 For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will. 22 The Father judges no one, but has given 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 Truly, truly, I say to you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

The FATHER and SON walk in STEP with ONE ANOTHER.

LIFE is BETTER when you RECOGNIZE the AUTHORITY of JESUS.

"A man who was merely a man and said the sort of things Jesus said would not be a great moral teacher. He would either be a lunatic or else he would be the Devil of Hell. You must make your choice. Either this man was, and is, the Son of God, or else a madman or something

worse. You can shut him up for a fool, you can spit at him and kill him as a demon, or you can fall at his feet and call him Lord and God, but let us not come with any patronizing nonsense about his being a great human teacher. He has not left that open to us.” – C.S. Lewis –

Twin Truths from the Authority of Jesus

JESUS is the ONLY way to GOD.

LIFE BEGINS with JESUS.

Small Group Questions:

How does a person gain authority? How did Jesus?

How does recognizing the authority of Jesus make life better?

Why cannot we not believe Jesus was merely a good person?

Is Jesus the only way to the Father? Why is this truth foundational to the Christian faith?

What are the implications of Jesus being the only way to eternal life?