

Sermon Listening Guide (May 31, 2026)

Scripture: John 5:19-30

Sermon Title: "Who is Jesus?"

First Thoughts

Jesus' healing of an invalid on the Sabbath drew anger and criticism instead of praise.

Any miracle of Jesus in the New Testament is meant to point to his power.

As Jesus lectures religious leaders in John 5, he proclaims his own divinity.

Son and Father

Verse 18 tells us Jesus declared himself equal with God.

Verse 19 shows that Father and Son are in sync with one another, and neither is subordinate.

The Council of Nicaea (325 AD) reinforced the fact that Father and Son are of the same substance.

Jesus is God in flesh and able to do things that only God can do.

What can Jesus Do?

In verse 21, Jesus claims the power to give physical and spiritual life.

Belief in Jesus brings both new life and eternal life.

Do you remember the moment when you found new life in Jesus?

In verse 22, Jesus announces his authority to judge all of mankind.

There is a day coming when Jesus will judge both the living and the dead.

It must have been mind-boggling for those surrounding Jesus to hear his claims.

What We Do

All of mankind must respond to the claims of Jesus.

Religious leaders in John 5 wanted to kill him.

Satan uses confusion about the person of Jesus to keep people from commitment to God.

You cannot reduce Jesus to merely a philosopher, teacher, or healer.

To view Jesus as less than God leaves men and women in a state of spiritual death.

Final Thoughts

How do you view the person of Jesus?

How have you responded to his claims?

Do you follow him as the first century disciples did?