

Big idea: Every follower of Christ is called to be a thinker. You can't live right without thinking right. It begins with thinking right about Jesus.

I. Reminders about John's gospel

A. John's gospel is very doctrinal and very CHRISTOCENTRIC

B. John spends more time in JERUSALEM than the other gospels

C. John's timeline includes 3 PASSOVERS

ch 1	ch 2	ch 6	**ch 7	ch 11-17	ch 18-21
Appears	1 st Passover	2 nd Passover	X	3 rd Passover	Arrest-Cross

II. From debate to doctrine

A. Where we LEFT off... vs. 11-13

1. A GOOD man or

2. A BAD man

B. Where we PICK up... vs. 15-24

1. We're not told WHAT v. 14

- The SETTING

- The TIMING

2. We're told HOW v. 15

- It was AUTHORITATIVE

- It was SCRIPTURAL

3. We are told from WHERE vs. 16-19

- A divine SOURCE v. 16

- A MORAL choice v. 17

- A singular FOCUS v. 18

- A crucial TEST vs. 19-20

4. We are given a picture of LEGALISM/HYPOCRISY vs. 21-24

- Legalism strains at a GNAT and swallows a CAMEL

- Legalism focuses on outward APPEARANCES not on the inner REALITY

III. What we take away...

What kind of judgment have you made about Jesus? Savior? Lord?