



J E S U S

I AM the life

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Like Father, Like Son

JOHN 8:37-59 (NLT)

John 8:37 (NLT2)

³⁷ Yes, I realize that you are descendants of Abraham. And yet some of you are trying to kill me because there's no room in your hearts for my message.

John 8:38 (NLT2)

38 I am telling you what I saw when I was with my Father. But you are following the advice of your father."

John 8:39 (NLT2)

39 "Our father is Abraham!" they declared. "No," Jesus replied, "for if you were really the children of Abraham, you would follow his example.

John 8:40 (NLT2)

⁴⁰ Instead, you are trying to kill me because I told you the truth, which I heard from God. Abraham never did such a thing.

John 8:41 (NLT2)

41 No, you are imitating your real father." They replied, "We aren't illegitimate children! God himself is our true Father."

John 8:42 (NLT2)

42 Jesus told them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, because I have come to you from God. I am not here on my own, but he sent me.

John 8:43 (NLT2)

43 Why can't you understand what I am saying? It's because you can't even hear me!

John 8:44 (NLT2)

⁴⁴ For you are the children of your father the devil, and you love to do the evil things he does. He was a murderer from the beginning. He has always hated the truth, because there is no truth in him. When he lies, it is consistent with his character; for he is a liar and the father of lies.

John 8:45 (NLT2)

45 So when I tell the truth, you just naturally don't believe me!

John 8:46 (NLT2)

46 Which of you can truthfully accuse me of sin? And since I am telling you the truth, why don't you believe me?

John 8:47 (NLT2)

47 Anyone who belongs to God listens gladly to the words of God. But you don't listen because you don't belong to God."

John 8:48 (NLT2)

48 The people retorted, "You Samaritan devil! Didn't we say all along that you were possessed by a demon?"

John 8:49 (NLT2)

49 “No,” Jesus said, “I have no demon in me. For I honor my Father—and you dishonor me.

John 8:50 (NLT2)

⁵⁰ And though I have no wish to glorify myself, God is going to glorify me. He is the true judge.

John 8:51 (NLT2)

51 I tell you the truth, anyone who obeys my teaching will never die!”

John 8:52 (NLT2)

52 The people said, "Now we know you are possessed by a demon. Even Abraham and the prophets died, but you say, 'Anyone who obeys my teaching will never die!'

John 8:53 (NLT2)

⁵³ Are you greater than our father Abraham? He died, and so did the prophets. Who do you think you are?"

John 8:54 (NLT2)

⁵⁴ Jesus answered, "If I want glory for myself, it doesn't count. But it is my Father who will glorify me. You say, 'He is our God,'

John 8:55 (NLT2)

⁵⁵ but you don't even know him. I know him. If I said otherwise, I would be as great a liar as you! But I do know him and obey him.

John 8:56 (NLT2)

56 Your father Abraham rejoiced as he looked forward to my coming. He saw it and was glad.”

John 8:57 (NLT2)

⁵⁷ The people said, "You aren't even fifty years old. How can you say you have seen Abraham?"

John 8:58 (NLT2)

⁵⁸ Jesus answered, "I tell you the truth, before Abraham was even born, I AM!"

John 8:59 (NLT2)

59 At that point they picked up stones to throw at him. But Jesus was hidden from them and left the Temple.

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I. Like Satan



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II. Like Satan's Followers

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C. Relational Destruction (Who Jesus
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- IV. Like Jesus' Followers

John 8:42 (NLT2) Loves Jesus

42 Jesus told them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, because I have come to you from God. I am not here on my own, but he sent me.

John 8:45-46 (NLT2) Believes Jesus

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Questions

1. Explain the sermon title in your own words: Like Father, Like Son.
2. Of the traits mentioned about Satan in John 8:44, what traits about him strike you?
3. Pastor Randy mentions 3 effects of Satan upon his followers that they demonstrate: Spiritual Deception (who they are and who they belong to), Mental Disorientation (what truth is), and Relational Destruction (who Jesus is). Which of these 3 effects of Satan or traits of his followers do you see evident in those around you?

Questions

4. How can you be sure that there is room in your life for the Word of God? What needs to be cleaned out so that there is room?
5. Why is it so easy to be deceived by Satan? How is it that the Jewish leaders can be so deceived that they don't know who they are following?
6. What exactly does it mean for Jesus to say "I AM"? (see John 8:58)

Questions

7. Jesus states that those who are true children of Abraham (also God), love Jesus, believe in Jesus, and obey Jesus. Do you believe those traits of followers of Jesus are exhibited in Christians today? Why or why not?
8. Why is our conduct the truest test of our beliefs?
9. Simone Biles had the "twisties" in the Olympics. It means disorientation in the air and can be fatal. Are you yourself experiencing the "twisties" or know of someone else who is concerning their spiritual life.

Questions

10. What is at stake if someone is confused about truth, Jesus, God and salvation?

11. In what ways does your lifestyle validate (or invalidate) your claim to be a follower of Jesus?