Summer Series: The gospel of John, Life in His Name

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*Jesus, the Giver of Life*

Intro:

PP-Courtroom Photo

Court is now in session; Jesus, the accused is on trial for sabbath-breaking and blasphemy!

Jesus claims:

* To be equal with God
* Has the ability to give life.
* To Judge
* The right to be worshiped.
* Son of Man as prophesied in Daniel 7

PP-John 5:19-29

**The Authority of the Son**

**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[[a](https://www.biblegateway.com/passage/?search=John+5%3A19-29&version=ESV#fen-ESV-26218a)] 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**For 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.

**25**“Truly, truly, I say to you, an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live. **26**For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself. **27**And he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man. **28**Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice **29**and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.

PP-Sanhedrin Court Photo

The Mosaic law states that both sabbath breaking and blasphemy are considered capital crimes which are punishable by death!

PP-Jesus claims equality in seven ways:

1. Equal in works (v. 19)
2. Equal in knowing (v. 20)
3. Equal in resurrecting (vv. 21, 28, 29)
4. Equal in judging (vv. 22, 27)
5. Equal in Honor (v. 23)
6. Equal in regenerating (vv. 24, 25)
7. Equal in self-existence (v. 26)

3x he says TRULY, TRULY I SAY UNTO= The supreme importance of what he is saying

1. PP-Verse 19: Doing (Works) Direct (YOU) Equal in his works with God the Father connected to verse 18 (them= Jewish leaders or Sanhedrin court 23 or 71 elders) In exact manner (set apart from any other prophet, teacher or leader)
2. PP-Verse 20: The Son works in perfect unity with the Father because the Father shows the Son everything that He is doing. Unlimited knowledge working together for the same purpose and will. One mind, one will, one purpose! Greater works? Jesus performed many miracles, even some NOT recorded, but when we read John 11 we see Jesus raising Lazurus from the dead. The ‘greater works’ is that Jesus had authority to lay his life down and to raise it up again (John 10) He raised himself from the dead!
3. PP-Verse 21: Equal in Gods will; Deut. 32:39 “it is I who put to death, it is I who gives life” God alone raises the dead. Even so (in the exact manner) Jesus sovereign will

John 10 “I AND THE FATHER ARE ONE!” NOT ‘IS ONE’ Jesus is the only ONE who has perfectly kept and carried out the will of the Father…and he had to be equal with the father, same essence as the father.

1. PP-Verse 22: Equal in Judgement: ‘For’ means further explanation all judgement has been given to the son…full authority to judge on the last day. Jesus is going to execute the same judgement that the Father would execute because they have the same will.
2. PP-Verse 23: He is worshiped in Greek means to fix the highest value upon; If you fail to honor the Son then you fail to honor the Father. You cannot come to the Father except you come through the Son. Proof of the Deity The same worship given to the Father in revelation 4 is the same worship given to the Son in revelation 5.
3. PP-Verse 24: Same Authority as God when he speaks! (You=the unbelieving mob) His word has the same authority. The son is the mouthpiece for the Father. There is nothing like the voice of Jesus….his sheep can hear his voice! Calling his own sheep by name. the effectual call. He had to call Lazarus by name because if he didn’t he would have cleared the whole graveyard out!!

PP-Courtroom Photo

Which brings me to my next point:

If we can clearly see the authority of the Son; and we now have the same authority..why do most Christians look defeated??

*In many languages like English, the phrase “I am” indicates the speaker's existence. Read this way, the Lord's statement “I am” is a declaration, “I exist.*

Divine Sayings:

Bread of Life

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| 1. I am the bread of life   Light of the World | [6:35, 48, 51](https://www.esv.org/John+6%3A35%3B+John+6%3A48%3B+John+6%3A51/) |
| 1. I am the light of the world   The door of the sheep | [8:12; 9:5](https://www.esv.org/John+8%3A12%3B+John+9%3A5/) |
| 1. I am the door of the sheep   Good Shepherd | [10:7, 9](https://www.esv.org/John+10%3A7%3B+John+10%3A9/) |
| 1. I am the good shepherd   Resurrection and the Life | [10:11, 14](https://www.esv.org/John+10%3A11%3B+John+10%3A14/) |
| 1. I am the resurrection and the life   Way, Truth, Life | [11:25](https://www.esv.org/John+11%3A25/) |
| 1. I am the way, the truth, and the life   True Vine | [14:6](https://www.esv.org/John+14%3A6/) |
| 7. I am the true vine |  |

Nothing about our walk with God should be dead because he has given us NEW LIFE +

**The Gospel in Reverse**

Undoing what was done in the beginning.

Man stole from the tree in disobedience, so Christ died on a tree. His hands were pierced because our hands stole from the tree, his feet were pierced because the first messianic prophecy involves the feet (he will crush your head and bruise his heel). His side was pierced because woman was taken from mans side making atonement for Eve. A crown of thorns because the curse of creation is that the ground would produce thorns and thistles, placing the curse on his head to reverse and restore what was broken; and even though this world is polluted with disharmony and disunity; what Jesus did created a pathway for restoration and more importantly-harmony and unity as it was intended in the beginning.

Jesus is the giver of Life; because he laid his life down so that we may live in eternity with him