

The Gospel According to John: That You May Believe

Lesson 14: Children of Abraham; Children of the Devil
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Review

When the adulterous woman was brought to Jesus, He wisely taught his accusers a lesson, corrected the sinful woman and yet offered mercy. While on earth, Jesus had the power to forgive sins. He did this with a view toward His sacrificial death on the cross (Heb. 9:15). Jesus is the Light of the World (John 8:12).

Children of Abraham Or Children of the Devil (John 8:31-47)

► Explore It

1. What did Jesus say to the Jews who had believed in Him? (8:31)
- * 2. What did Jesus say the truth would do for those who knew it? (8:32)
3. How did the Jews respond to Jesus' statement about freedom? (8:33)
- * 4. Who did Jesus say is a slave to sin? (8:34)
5. How does Jesus distinguish a slave from a son? (8:35)
- * 6. What is the result of being freed by the Son? (8:36)
7. What did Jesus say the Jews were ready to do? (8:37)
8. In what way were the Jews mistaken about Abraham? (8:39)
9. What did Jesus say the Jews would do if God were their Father? (8:42)
- * 10. Why did Jesus say that His language was unclear to His audience? (8:43)
11. What shocking fact did Jesus reveal about His audience? (8:44)
- * 12. What is the devil's native language? (8:44)
13. Why did Jesus' audience not believe Him? (8:45)
14. What reason did Jesus give for these people's lack of hearing? (8:47)

► Get It

- * 15. How does truth set someone free?
16. How has the Son set you free?
17. How does a person show love for Jesus?
- * 18. What truths do you have a difficult time accepting?
19. How is our love for God reflected in our love for Christ?
- * 20. What does your speech reveal about you?
21. What is your native language: truth, lies, or another language?

► Apply It

- * 22. How can you better enjoy your freedom in the Son?
 23. What action will you take in order to act more like a child of God?
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Related Topics

- * What light does does verse 30 coupled with verses 31-32 shed on the doctrine of salvation by faith only?
- * What does it mean to be free (verse 32)? * Was their claim about never being in bondage true? (verse 33)
- * How were the Jews children of Abraham (verse 37) but yet not children of Abraham (verse 39)?

Note: Study guides for this series of lessons are available on the Internet at www.howellfamily.us/john.htm