

V31- "Jesus said to the people who believed in him, "you are truly my disciples if you remain faithful to my teachings. And you will know the truth and the truth will set you free."

1. What is _____?

Where not to get our truth from:

A. _____

B. _____

An _____ to line our thinking up with the principles in God's word reveals that He may not be our source of truth like we thought.

What happens when God's word " _____ " differently than you on a topic? The religious leaders made the assumption that Jesus was the wrong one. What conclusion do you draw in those moments?

2. What are we _____ from?

A. _____

B. _____

Is there any area of your life that you haven't allowed God to truly transform deep inside?

C. _____

Are there any ways that you are LIVING like you are trying to earn favor from God?

3. What is _____?

V32-38 - Then you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free." They answered him, "We are Abraham's descendants and have never been slaves of anyone. How can you say that we shall be set free?" Jesus replied, "Very truly I tell you, everyone who sins is a slave to sin. Now a slave has no permanent place in the family, but a son belongs to it forever. So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. I know that you are Abraham's descendants. Yet you are looking for a way to kill me, because you have no room for my word. I am telling you what I have seen in the Father's presence, and you are doing what you have heard from your father."

1. The parable of the _____

A. The prodigal son is _____

Only when we use the freedom we've been given to truly be who God created us to be that we are satisfied and fulfilled. And having a life of fulfillment and purpose is an inborn desire for all people from God.

B. The prodigal son can be _____

4. What is our freedom _____?

Our freedom is not for ourselves, to make ourselves happy and fulfill the dreams we have for our lives.

A. To share Jesus _____

It's kind of a mystery, but God has chosen to involve his children in the redemption plan he has for this world, and every single one of us can be on mission with him in the adventure of reaching this world for Jesus.

Jesus, who do you want me to share my testimony of how you've changed my life with this week?

B. To use what God has put in our hands to _____

What has God put into your hands?

V39-51- "Abraham is our father," they answered. "If you were Abraham's children," said Jesus, "then you would do what Abraham did. As it is, you are looking for a way to kill me, a man who has told you the truth that I heard from God. Abraham did not do such things. You are doing the works of your own father." "We are not illegitimate children," they protested. "The only Father we have is God himself." Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love me, for I have come here from God. I have not come on my own; God sent me. Why is my language not clear to you? Because you are unable to hear what I say. You belong to your father, the devil, and you want to carry out your father's desires. He was a murderer from the beginning, not holding to the truth, for there is no truth in him. When he lies, he speaks his native language, for he is a liar and the father of lies. Yet because I tell the truth, you do not believe me! Can any of you prove me guilty of sin? If I am telling the truth, why don't you believe me? Whoever belongs to God hears what God says. The reason you do not hear is that you do not belong to God." The Jews answered him, "Aren't we right in saying that you are a Samaritan and demon-possessed?" "I am not possessed by a demon," said Jesus, "but I honor my Father and you dishonor me. I am not seeking glory for myself; but there is one who seeks it, and he is the judge. Very truly I tell you, whoever obeys my word will never see death." At this they exclaimed, "Now we know that you are demon-possessed! Abraham died and so did the prophets, yet you say that whoever obeys your word will never taste death. Are you greater than our father Abraham? He died, and so did the prophets. Who do you think you are?" Jesus replied, "If I glorify myself, my glory means nothing. My Father, whom you claim as your God, is the one who glorifies me. Though you do not know him, I know him. If I said I did not, I would be a liar like you, but I do know him and obey his word. Your father Abraham rejoiced at the thought of seeing my day; he saw it and was glad." "You are not yet fifty years old," they said to him, "and you have seen Abraham!" "Very truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "before Abraham was born, I am!" At this, they picked up stones to stone him, but Jesus hid himself, slipping away from the temple grounds.