

Life of Christ SERIES ♦ LESSON #36A – Jesus is “I AM” ♦ John 8:31-59

TO HELP US STUDY

1. What will happen to those who hold to Jesus teaching? _____
 2. What is everyone who sins? _____ How is this different from being a son?

 3. The Jews claimed to be Abraham’s children, but Jesus thought differently. Why? _____

 4. If God were their Father, what would they do? _____
 5. Who was their father, and what is he like? _____

 6. What did they accuse Jesus of being? _____
 7. What will those who keep Jesus’ words never see? _____
 8. What happened to Abraham and the prophets? _____
 9. What caused Abraham to rejoice? _____
 10. How did Jesus say he saw Abraham? _____
- Bonus: Why would this make the Jews enraged enough to stone him? (Ex 3:13-14) _____

TO HELP US REMEMBER:

John 8:31b-32: “Jesus said, ‘If you hold to my teaching, you are really my disciples. Then you will know the truth and the truth will set you free.’”

TEEN THOUGHT:

In this life, we have a choice whether we will be children of God or children of the devil. We have a choice whether we will be slaves to sin, or be set free. Jesus speaks of the truth, where the devil speaks only lies. “The world” largely spews the devil’s lies at us, telling us that there is no absolute truth, that holding Jesus’ teaching frees us from fun, not sin, and that there is no heaven, hell, God or devil. But Jesus is the “light of the world”; whoever follows Him will never walk in darkness, but have the light of life (John 8:12). Which road will you take?

TIPS FOR TEACHING

Some topics for potential study – some of the scriptures below support these.

1. How does following Jesus’ commands make us free?
2. When Jesus said “I am!”, he pronounced his place with God the Father from the beginning. What other scriptures proclaim this?
3. What lies do we struggle with?

ADDITIONAL SCRIPTURE: Mt 11:30; 1 Jn5:3; Rom 6:1-23, 7:7-25, 8:1-17; Gal 3:26-5:1,13; Col 2:20-3:11; Col 1:15-19, 2:9-10; Php 2:1-11; Eph 1:1-7; Jn 1:1-18, 5:17-18, 17:24, 21:28; Isa 9:6; Heb 1:1-4; Rom 1:25; Acts 5:1-9; Mt 5:33-37; 1 Jn 2:4, 21-23, 4:20; Rev 21:8; Pr 26:18-19; Jam 1:26