

SERMON OUTLINE John 10:31-42

I and the Father Are One (Part 2)

INTRODUCTION

ARE YOU THE CHRIST? THE JEWS' RESPONSE

Disbelief

Stoning

Jesus' Interlude

Arresting

Believing

CONCLUSION

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

MAIN POINT

Throughout his Gospel, John has been stacking the glories of Jesus, one on top of the other—glorious things He said, did, was, fulfilled, and promised yet to do. At the same time, he has also been stacking the rejections of the Jews—in anger, slander, intimidation, censure, and murder. The big idea in all of this is that while the power of sin is great, the grace of God is greater still.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. What were your thoughts on the text/sermon? What most stood out? How was it helpful? Confusing?
2. Are there any aspects of God's Word that seem silly to you? Can you think of any that used to for you?
3. Can you think of a specific way that some aspect of disbelief in the Word of God has led you astray?
4. Are there any areas of your life that would clearly contradict your message if you were to share the gospel with someone?
5. What current non-Christian way of thinking seems most hollow to you? Why do you think it's appealing to so many?
6. Can you think of any aspect of your life or experience you've had that Christianity isn't able to account for?
7. How would you define ministry success?
8. What does evangelism look like in your life? What is keeping you from sharing your faith more regularly?
9. In what way/s did the sermon help you see the greatness of God?

AREAS OF APPLICATION

10. Ask one godly person who knows you well to share an area in your life that you might not see very well.
11. Memorize at least one passage that describes the immeasurable glory of God.
12. Make a list of non-Christians that you will begin praying for this week. Make a plan to share the gospel with one of them.
13. Identify one sin that you mean to repent of with God's help. Share the sin and your plan to make war on it with someone.
14. As a means of better understanding the origin and hollowness of contemporary Western thought, find someone to read Carl Truman's "The Rise and Triumph of the Modern Self" or the more simplified version, "Strange New World" with.
15. Ask two different people in your family or DG (1) One thing they got from this sermon, and (2) How you can pray for them.
16. Ask God to show you one specific thing you ought to do differently as a result of this text or sermon? Share that and pray about it with someone in your DG. Continue praying for and checking in with each other until you've both done it.

PRAYER POINTS

17. Adoration. Praise God for being sufficiently merciful and gracious. Praise God for being the author of history. Praise Jesus for being the fulfillment of all God's promises. Praise God for being infinitely glorious.
18. Confess. Confess any ways your life is inconsistent with the gospel. Confess any ways you are struggling to be properly amazed by Jesus' glory. Confess any ways you are indifferent to sin. Confess a lack of evangelism.
19. Thanksgiving. Thank God for His limitless blessings to all who trust in Jesus. Thank God for revealing His glory so clearly in Jesus, His Word, and His creation. Thank God for His mercy and grace.
20. Supplication. Ask God to help someone in your life to believe in Jesus as the Christ. Ask God to help us follow Jesus together. Ask God to help you see the hollowness of anything you believe. Ask God to grant repentance to our leaders and nation. Ask God to help you use your gifts to strengthen Grace Church and bless our community.