

DO YOU KNOW HIM?

Saved or Enslaved?

John 8:25-38

INTRODUCTION:

1. Vs 25a

a) "Who are you?"

2. Vs 25b

a) "Jesus said..."

3. Vs 26-27

a) 5:18

4. **Very Important:** We are **NOT** saved by our performance.

a) Vs 33

b) Jesus presented Himself as the **I AM:**

1) 6:35

a) "**I AM the Bread of life...**"

2) 8:12

a) "**I AM the Light of the world**"

5. The Pharisees rejected Jesus Authority.

a) 8:12-14

6. 8:21-24

a) 3 times Jesus says "***You will die in your sins***"

7. Vs 30

a) "***As he was saying these things, many believed in Him***"

8. This brings up a BIG question: What exactly is saving belief? Faith?

9. Vs 31

a) Jesus now addresses those who claimed to believe in Him.

10. **REAL SALVATION. Vs 59**

11. Jesus is going show the **DIFFERENCE** between **REAL** and **COUNTERFEIT** Salvation.

I. THE DISTINCTION OF REAL SALVATION

1. Vs 30-31

a) "If you *abide* in my word"

1) "*abide*" - means to remain, to continue

2. Very Important:

a) Jesus was not giving the requirements for **BECOMING** a disciple.

b) **INSTEAD** Jesus said that the nature of discipleship consists of continued obedience to His Word.

1) *Matthew 12:50*

2) *John 14:15, 21, 23-24*

3) *1 John 2:4-6*

4) *1 John 3:24*

5) *1 John 5:3*

c) True disciples are Word oriented!!

1) *James 1:22*

2) *1 Peter 2:2*

3. **WOW!!!!** Jesus says that your future loyalty to His Word will prove the reality of your present profession.

4. **QUESTION:** *Are you Jesus disciple?*

ANSWER: *You are if you continue in His Word!*

5. *James 2:18-19*

a) **Demonic faith:** What the demons know about Jesus that causes them to tremble.

6. Vs 31b

a) "If you abide in my word"

1) "*abide*" - means to *stay!*

b) "you are truly my disciples"

1) "*truly*" - means "for real" "in reality"

7. *Matthew 13:18-23*

8. *1 John 2:19*

9. *Jeremiah 9:23-24*

II. THE DELUSION OF SPIRITUAL SLAVERY

1. Vs 32

a) "and you will know the truth **and the truth will set you free**"

2. Vs 33

a) These Jew were **DELUSIONAL** because being in slavery was a part of their history of disobedience.

4. Vs 34

a) They were thinking in the **PHYSICAL**; Jesus was talking about the **SPIRITUAL**.

5. **LISTEN UP:** People today mistake the chains of sin as bracelets of pleasure.

6. Vs 34

a) "**Practices**" - means it's a habit.

7. Vs 35

a) "**a slave**" - has no claim on the house

b) "**a son**" - has permanent rights in the household

8. These Jews were **delusional about their relationship with God**.

9. **1 Corinthians 6:9-11**

10. **Galatians 4:4-7** Wow!!!

11. Vs 36

a) Jesus is the Son who rules over God's house.

b) Only Jesus has the authority to set one FREE

CONCLUSION:

1. Vs 37-38