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We are a family of imperfect people following the perfect Savior, **Jesus.**



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5 Now if any of you lacks wisdom, he should ask
God — who gives to all generously and
ungrudgingly — and it will be given to him. 6 But
let him ask in faith without doubting. For the
doubter is like the surging sea, driven and tossed
by the wind. 7 That person should not expect to
receive anything from the Lord, 8 being double-
minded and unstable in all his ways.

JAMES 1:5-8 CSB

Jesus' Truth Claims *John 5:17-30*

Divinity:

Jesus is the Son of God *(v. 18)* in absolute union with the Father *(v. 19)*, possessing divine knowledge *(v. 20)*, worthy of worship *(v. 23)* and filled with life-giving power *(v. 26)*.

Jesus' Truth Claims *John 5:17-30*

Authority:

Jesus exercises sovereign will *(v. 21)* with the authority to resurrect the dead *(v. 25)*, judge all people *(v. 22, 27)*, and to save *(v. 24)* or condemn *(v. 25)*.

31 “If I testify about myself, my testimony is not true.

JOHN 5:31 CSB

BIBLICAL PRINCIPLE:

"Every fact must be established by the testimony of two to three witnesses."

[Deut. 17:6, 19:15, Matt. 18:16, 2 Cor. 13:1, 1 Tim 5:19]

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32 There is another who testifies about me, and I
know that the testimony he gives about me is true.
33 You sent messengers to John, and he testified
to the truth. 34 I don’t receive human testimony, but
I say these things so that you may be saved. 35
John was a burning and shining lamp, and you
were willing to rejoice for a while in his light.

JOHN 5:32-35 CSB

POINT:

Courageous conviction is affirmed by the testimony of faithful witnesses.

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36 “But I have a greater testimony than John’s
because of the works that the Father has given
me to accomplish. These very works I am doing
testify about me that the Father has sent me.
37 The Father who sent me has himself testified
about me. You have not heard his voice at any
time, and you haven’t seen his form.

JOHN 5:36-37 CSB

POINT:

Courageous conviction is confirmed by the demonstration of God's power.

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“So they stayed there a long time and spoke boldly for the Lord, who testified to the message of his grace by enabling them to do signs and wonders.”

- Acts 14:3

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38 You don’t have his word residing in you,
because you don’t believe the one he sent. 39 You
pore over the Scriptures because you think you
have eternal life in them, and yet they testify about
me. 40 But you are not willing to come to me so
that you may have life.
41 “I do not accept glory from people, 42 but I know
you — that you have no love for God within you. 43
I have come in my Father’s name, and yet you
don’t accept me.

JOHN 5:38-47 CSB

If someone else comes in his own name, you will
accept him. 44 How can you believe, since you
accept glory from one another but don’t seek the
glory that comes from the only God? 45 Do not
think that I will accuse you to the Father. Your
accuser is Moses, on whom you have set your
hope. 46 For if you believed Moses, you would
believe me, because he wrote about me. 47 But if
you don’t believe what he wrote, how will you
believe my words?”

JOHN 5:38-47 CSB

POINT:

Courageous conviction is grounded in the authority of God's Word.

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“The grass withers, the flowers fade, but the word of our God remains forever.”

- Isaiah 40:8

“Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will never pass away.”

- Luke 21:33

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THE CALL:

Jesus is calling you back to courageous conviction.

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