

## **Jesus: Why Should We Believe Him?**

John 5:30-47

Main point: We can believe that Jesus is God's promised savior because we know that ...

I. \_\_\_\_\_ (v 30)

II. \_\_\_\_\_ (v 31-40)

III. \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 41-44)

IV. \_\_\_\_\_ ( v.45-47)

### **FOR FURTHER THOUGHT:**

1. Jesus points to multiple witnesses regarding his claim to be God's Son. Who does Jesus identify, and how do they each support His claims? Why were each of them relevant to Jesus' audience?
2. Verse 35 describes John the Baptist as a burning and shining lamp. Take a few moments to discuss what you know about John the Baptist (John 1:15-36; 3:22-31; also Matt. 3; 11:2-11). What burning and shining lamps has God placed in your own life to encourage your faith? What has been the lasting impact on your own life?
3. How do verses 39-40 influence how you view coming together with other believers to study the scriptures?
4. What does Jesus mean when he says that he does not receive glory from people in verse 41? How should we understand passages like Psalm 86:12 in light of Jesus' words? In what ways should we seek to glorify God?
5. History is filled with teachers and leaders that sought to receive glory for themselves instead of seeking the glory that comes from man. Why do you think that is such a temptation? How can we guard ourselves from falling into that same temptation? What can we do to avoid following such a leader?