Seeing Christ John 5:1-23

Christ sees you but do you see Him

A. The Path Of Christ (5:1-2)
1. Directed by God's Word (5:1)
2. Directed for mankind's need (5:2)

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- **B.** The People At Bethesda (5:3-7)
 - 1. Needed God's grace (5:3) Mark 2:17
 - 2. Waited for God's grace (5:4-5)
 a. Looked for a sign (v 4)
 b. Looked for self (v 4-5)
 - 3. "Wanted" God's grace (5:6-7)
 a. A curious question (v 6)
 b. A competition revealed (v 7)

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C. The Power of Christ (5:8-15)

- 1. Cures the lame (5:8-9)
- 2. Confronts the legalists (5:10-13)
- 3. Conveys the life we should live (5:14-15)

The Witness Of Christ John 5:24-47

Christ Testifies Of His Diety

A. The conditions of everlasting life (5:24) John 5:24

Verily, verily, I say unto you, He that heareth my word, and believeth on him that sent me, hath everlasting life, and shall not come into condemnation; but is passed from death unto life.

Hear the Word
 Believe the Word
 Has everlasting life
 Has sin judged
 Has been quickened

B. The certainty of future resurrection (5:25-30) 1. Christ is the resurrection of the spiritually dead (vv 25-26)

John 5:25-26

25 Verily, verily, I say unto you, The hour is coming, and now is, when the dead shall hear the voice of the Son of God: and they that hear shall live.

26 For as the Father hath life in himself; so hath he given to the Son to have life in himself;

- B. The certainty of future resurrection (5:25-30) cont'd
 1. Christ is the resurrection of the spiritually dead (vv 25-26)
- John 11;25-26
- 25 Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live:
- 26 And whosoever liveth and believeth in me shall never die. Believest thou this?

B. The certainty of future resurrection (5:25-30) – cont'd
2. Christ is the Judge (v 27)

John 5:27

And hath given him authority to execute judgment also, because he is the Son of man.

Acts 10:42

And he commanded us to preach unto the people, and to testify that it is he which was ordained of God to be the Judge of quick and dead.

B. The certainty of future resurrection (5:25-30) – cont'd
3. The consequences of resurrection (vv 28-29)
a. All hear (v 28)

John 5:28

Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice,

Philippians 2:10-11

10 That at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of things in heaven, and things in earth, and things under the earth;

11 And that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

B. The certainty of future resurrection (5:25-30) – cont'd
3. The consequences of resurrection (vv 28-29)
b. Two resurrections determined (v 29)

John 5:29

And shall come forth; they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation.

- 1) Resurrection of life (Rapture/Tribulation Saints) 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Revelation 20:4-6
- 2) Resurrection of damnation (Great White Throne) Revelation 20:11-15

B. The certainty of future resurrection (5:25-30) – cont'd
4. Commanded by God (v 30)

John 5:30

I can of mine own self do nothing: as I hear, I judge: and my judgment is just; because I seek not mine own will, but the will of the Father which hath sent me.

Deuteronomy 19:15 One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity, or for any sin, in any sin that he sinneth: at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established.

A. Confirmed by God the Father (5:31-32) John 5:31-32

31 If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true.32 There is another that beareth witness of me; and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true.

- **B.** Confirmed by John The Baptist (5:33-35) John 5:33-35
- 33 Ye sent unto John, and he bare witness unto the truth.
- 34 But I receive not testimony from man: but these things
- I say, that ye might be saved.
- **35** He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light.

C. Confirmed by the works (5:36) John 5:36

But I have greater witness than that of John: for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me.

D. Confirmed by the Scriptures (5:37-39)

1. The voice you do not hear (v 37)

John 5:37

And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.

D. Confirmed by the Scriptures (5:37-39) - continued

2. The verses you do not heed (vv 38-39)

John 5:38-39

38 And ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe not.

39 Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.

III. The Conflict With Christ By The Religious (5:40-47)

A. Your decision is hell (5:40)John 5:40And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.

III. The Conflict With Christ By The Religious (5:40-47)

B. Your denial is hatred (5:41-47)

1. Because you do not have the love of God (41-42) John 5:41-42

41 I receive not honour from men.

42 But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you.

III. The Conflict With Christ By The Religious (5:40-47)

B. Your denial is hatred (5:41-47) - continued

2. You will believe anyone else except me (vv 43-44) John 5:43-44

43 I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.

44 How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that cometh from God only?

III. The Conflict With Christ By The Religious (5:40-47)

B. Your denial is hatred (5:41-47) - continued

3. You don't even believe Moses (vv 45-47)

John 5:45-47

45 Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is one that accuseth you, even Moses, in whom ye trust. 46 For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me; for he wrote of me.

47 But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?

III. The Conflict With Christ By The Religious (5:40-47)

B. Your denial is hatred (5:41-47) - continued
3. You don't even believe Moses (vv 45-47)
Luke 24:27

And beginning at Moses and all the prophets, he expounded unto them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself.

Christ is God