

Chapter 5 - Study Questions

Have you ever wondered why some people consider the words of Jesus to be so important? Well, if you have, you are not alone. Even some of Jesus' contemporaries had this same question. Today, as we continue in our study, we will be able to see how Jesus addressed some people who were questioning him. In the process we will also see why Jesus' words are so important.

Here in chapter five Jesus heals a disabled person by telling him to pick up his mat and walk. The miracle itself was never questioned, but the Jewish leaders were obviously upset.

1. Why were the Jewish leaders upset about the miracle that Jesus performed? (5:10)
2. How does Jesus reply to their concern of him working on the Sabbath? (5:17)
3. Were the Jews correct in understanding Jesus' answer to be "making himself equal with God?" (5:18)

Throughout this chapter Jesus is telling his listeners that the work of the Son and the work of the Father is one in the same.

4. If it is true that the words of Jesus are the words of God, then what kind of importance is placed upon Jesus' words?
5. What testifies to who Jesus really is? (5:36-37)
6. Is an intellectual knowledge of the scriptures sufficient for eternal life? (5:39)
7. According to the Scriptures, who must one come to in order to have eternal life? (5:39-40)
8. According to this passage, why are Jesus' words important? Do you think they are important?