

Jesus, Son of God

Testimony Like None Other

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Testimony: A solemn _____ usually made orally by a witness under oath in response to _____ by a lawyer or authorized public official [Merriam-Webster].

¹⁶ So, because Jesus was doing these things on the Sabbath, **the Jewish leaders began to persecute him.** ¹⁷ In his defense Jesus said to them, “My Father is always at his work to this very day, and I too am working.” ¹⁸ For this reason they tried all the more to kill him; not only was he breaking the Sabbath, but he was even calling God his own Father, making himself equal with God. **John 5:16-18, NIV**

³¹ “If I testify about myself, my testimony is not true. ³² There is another who testifies in my favor, and I know that his testimony about me is true. ³³ “You have sent to John and he has testified to the truth. ³⁴ Not that I accept human testimony; **but I mention it that you may be saved.** ³⁵ John was a lamp that burned and gave light, and you chose for a time to enjoy his light. **John 5:31-35, NIV**

³ This is good, and pleases God our Savior, ⁴ who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. **1 Timothy 2:3-4, NIV**

As Jesus’ _____ rose, so did the _____ against him. But Jesus kept working to accomplish one _____.

³⁶ “I have testimony weightier than that of John. For **the works** that the Father has given me to finish—the very works that I am doing—**testify** that the Father has sent me. ³⁷ And **the Father** who sent me has himself **testified** concerning me. You have never heard his voice nor seen his form, ³⁸ nor does his word dwell in you, for you do not believe the one he sent.

³⁹ You study the Scriptures diligently because you think that in them you have eternal life. These are the very **Scriptures** that **testify** about me, ⁴⁰ yet you refuse to come to me to have life. **John 5:36-40, NIV**

Jesus has _____ testimony declaring his _____.

- The _____ he was given to do.
- The _____ himself who sent him.
- The _____ written about him.

²⁴ “Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life. **John 5:24, NIV**

⁴¹ “I do not accept glory from human beings, ⁴² but I know you. I know that **you do not have the love of God in your hearts.** ⁴³ I have come in my Father’s name, and you do not accept me; but 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 do not seek the glory that comes from the only God?** **John 5:41-44, NIV**

⁹ However, as it is written: “What no eye has seen, what no ear has heard, and what no human mind has conceived”—the things God has prepared for those who love him— ¹⁰ these are the things God has revealed to us by his Spirit... ¹² What we have received is not the spirit of the world, but the Spirit who is from God, so that we may understand what God has freely given us. **1 Corinthians 2:9-10, 12, NIV**

I will not _____ testimony about Jesus if I seek human love and approval more than _____ love and approval.

MEMORY VERSE

“Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life.” **John 5:24a, NIV**

My next step: I will check my need to receive love and approval from people, and instead seek these from God.

What’s your next step today?

Mark it on your Communication Card.