

“Who Do You Know?”  
**John 8:48-59**

**I. In their anger, the Jews maligned Jesus’ character (vs. 48-52).**

- A. The Jews call Jesus a Samaritan and state that He had a demon.
- B. Jesus responded that He honored God.

(Luke 6:46-49; John 1:12-13; 6:40; 8:42; 11:25-26; 14:21, 23-24; Philippians 5:5-11; Hebrews 1:13)

**II. In their unbelief, the Jews questioned Jesus’ preeminence (vs. 53-56).**

- A. The Jews compare Jesus to Abraham and the prophets.
- B. Jesus responded that He is the Son of God.

(Hebrews 11:13)

**III. In their hardheartedness, the Jews determined Jesus worthy of death (vs. 57-59).**

- A. The Jews wanted to stone Jesus.
- B. Jesus responded by withdrawing from the crowd.

(Exodus 3:14; Luke 4:30; John 3:17-18)

**App. This passage teaches three important lessons:**

1. Those who know God love others who know God.
2. Those who know God imitate God.

## Scripture References and Notes

John 8:42

Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love Me, for I proceeded forth and have come from God, for I have not even come on My own initiative, but He sent Me.

Philippians 2:5-8

<sup>5</sup> Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who, although He existed in the form of God, did not regard equality with God a thing to be grasped, <sup>7</sup> but emptied Himself, taking the form of a bond-servant, *and* being made in the likeness of men. <sup>8</sup> Being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself by becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. <sup>9</sup> For this reason also, God highly exalted Him, and bestowed on Him the name which is above every name, <sup>10</sup> so that at the name of Jesus EVERY KNEE WILL BOW, of those who are in heaven and on earth and under the earth, <sup>11</sup> and that every tongue will confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Hebrews 1:13

But to which of the angels has He ever said, "SIT AT MY RIGHT HAND, UNTIL I MAKE YOUR ENEMIES A FOOTSTOOL FOR YOUR FEET"?

John 14:21

He who has My commandments and keeps them is the one who loves Me; and he who loves Me will be loved by My Father, and I will love him and will disclose Myself to him."

John 14:23-24

<sup>23</sup> Jesus answered and said to him, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our abode with him. <sup>24</sup> He who does not love Me does not keep My words; and the word which you hear is not Mine, but the Father's who sent Me.

John 1:12

<sup>12</sup> But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, *even* to those who believe in His name, <sup>13</sup> who were born, not of blood nor of the will of the flesh nor of the will of man, but of God.

Luke 6:46-49

<sup>46</sup> "Why do you call Me, 'Lord, Lord,' and do not do what I say?" <sup>47</sup> Everyone who comes to Me and hears My words and acts on them, I will show you whom he is like: <sup>48</sup> he is like a man building a house, who dug deep and laid a foundation on the rock; and when a flood occurred, the torrent burst against that house and could not shake it, because it had been well built. <sup>49</sup> But the one who has heard and has not acted *accordingly*, is like a man who built a house on the ground without any foundation; and the torrent burst against it and immediately it collapsed, and the ruin of that house was great."

John 6:40

For this is the will of My Father, that everyone who beholds the Son and believes in Him will have eternal life, and I Myself will raise him up on the last day."

Hebrews 11:13

All these died in faith, without receiving the promises, but having seen them and having welcomed them from a distance, and having confessed that they were strangers and exiles on the earth.

Exodus 3:14

God said to Moses, "I AM WHO I AM"; and He said, "Thus you shall say to the sons of Israel, 'I AM has sent me to you.'"

Luke 4:30

But passing through their midst, He went His way.

John 3:17-18

<sup>17</sup> For God did not send the Son into the world to judge the world, but that the world might be saved through Him. <sup>18</sup> He who believes in Him is not judged; he who does not believe has been judged already, because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God.