

Assignments on John 8

Please read John 8 and answer the following questions:

1. What problem did the scribes and Pharisees present to Jesus in 8:1-6?

2. What did Moses' law say should be done in such a case (give **b/c/v**)?

3. **Special Assignment:** Explain why this question would be difficult for Jesus.

4. What answer did Jesus give – 8:7?

5. What Old Testament passages did Jesus' answer harmonize with? Explain.

6. How did the woman's accusers respond – 8:9?

7. What conclusion did Jesus reach – 8:9-11? What did He say about her guilt?

8. What did the Old Testament say about the number of witnesses needed to condemn a person to death? Give **b/c/v**.

9. **Case Study:** Many people use this example to argue that we should not rebuke people for sin, including even serious moral sins like adultery. How should we respond? Explain.

10. What did Jesus claim He is in 8:12? What blessing would we have if we follow Him?

11. Explain the meaning of this illustration.

12. What argument did the Pharisees make in 8:13, and what did they mean by it?

13. What witness did Jesus call in 8:16?

14. State the Old Testament principle to which Jesus appealed in 8:17, and list two other places in the Bible that refer to this principle.

15. What two witnesses did Jesus have? Where else has He made similar claims?

16. **Case Study:** Some people claim that Jesus is the same individual as God the Father. What can we prove regarding this from 8:17,18?

17. What did the Pharisees ask Jesus about His Father? How did He answer – 8:19?

18. What did Jesus say in 8:21, and what problem did people have as a result?

19. Explain 8:23 in your own words.

20. What did Jesus say would happen to the Jews? How could they avoid that fate – 8:24?

21. What does this prove about people who follow religions that do not trust in Jesus?

22. **Case Study:** Some people claim that Jesus never claimed Deity. What can we prove about Jesus' claims in v24?

23. What did Jesus say was the source of His teaching – 8:26,27? How did people react?
24. Where else have we read about Jesus being “lifted up”? Explain the expression.
25. What does Jesus teach about His relationship with the Father in 8:28,29?
26. Define “disciple.” Explain what one must do to be a true disciple – 8:31.
27. What must one do to have true freedom – 8:32?
28. In what sense does truth make us free? Does freedom mean we may do as we please? Explain.
29. **Application:** Name some other ways people mistakenly pursue freedom.
30. What arguments did the Jews make to try to prove they did not need to be made free – 8:33? (Think: Were these arguments valid? Explain.)
31. What kind of bondage was Jesus talking about – 8:34? Explain.
32. Who can free a slave – 8:35,36? Who can free us from spiritual slavery?
33. In what sense were the people Abraham’s descendants, and in what sense were they not His descendants – 8:37,38?

34. What proof did Jesus offer that they were not Abraham's descendants?

35. Whom did the Jews claim as Father? How did Jesus prove them wrong – 8:39,40?

36. Who did Jesus say their father was? How did He say they showed who their father was – 8:41-43? (Think: What can we learn from this about rebuking sin and “judge not”?)

37. Name two characteristics Jesus said their father has – 8:44.

38. List examples that demonstrate their “father” possesses these characteristics.

39. **Special Assignment:** Explain how the Jews' conduct demonstrated that they followed the will of their “father.”

40. What challenge did Jesus give the Jews in 8:46? How does this challenge show Jesus' confidence in His position?

41. What reason did Jesus offer why the Jews rejected Him – 8:47?

42. How did the Jews try to explain away Jesus' teaching – 8:48?

43. Instead of the Jews' explanation, how did Jesus explain His conduct – 8:49?

44. To whom did Jesus appeal for final judgment – 8:50?

45. What claim did Jesus make in 8:51?
46. In what sense was Jesus' statement true?
47. How did the Jews say Abraham and prophets disproved Jesus' claim – 8:52,53?
48. Who did Jesus say honored Him? What accusation did He make – 8:54,55?
49. What did Jesus say about Abraham that confirmed Jesus' claims – 8:56? (Think: In what sense was this statement true?)
50. What reason did the Jews give for claiming Jesus' statement was impossible – 8:57?
51. How did Jesus respond to their claim? What did this mean regarding His relationship to Abraham – 8:58?
- 52. *Special Assignment:*** Note the expression "I AM." List an Old Testament passage where God used this expression for Himself. Explain its significance.
53. Explain the consequences of Jesus' statement – i.e., what really was He claiming? Why did the Jews want to stone Him for saying this?
54. How did the confrontation end – 8:59?

Assignments on John 9

Please read John 9 and answer the following questions:

1. What ailment did a man have? How long had the man suffered – 9:1?
2. What did the disciples think had caused the problem – 9:2?

3. Special Assignment: Explain some reasons the Bible gives why disease exists.

4. Explain the illustration Jesus used in 9:4. What applications can we make?

5. What illustration did Jesus use in 9:5? What did it have to do with the situation?

6. What did Jesus do to heal the man – 9:6,7? (Think: Why do it this way?)

7. Special Assignment: What similarities exist between this healing and our own salvation from sin?

8. What characteristics of miracles are demonstrated in this case?

9. What question did the people have about the man? How was it settled – 9:8,9?

10. What further questions did the people have – 9:10?