

***LIGHT OF THE WORLD...A STUDY OF THE GOSPEL OF JOHN***

# **Who's Your Daddy?**

**John 8:39-59**

Jesus continued to expose that being Abraham's children, and thereby heirs of God's covenant, was not through physical descent. It is by \_\_\_\_\_ in God that believes and:

- \_\_\_\_\_ His commands. Vs. 37-38
- welcomes His \_\_\_\_\_. Vs. 39-42
- rejoices over His Messiah who would bless/save the world. Vs. 56

Satan is everything that God \_\_\_\_\_ and to desire and practice sin is to follow and identify with Satan as 'father' (I John 1:5-7). Those who follow God as Father have hearts with an ability to hear, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_ to the spiritual truths of Christ in contrast to Satan and his lies: light and dark, truth and lie, life and death, salvation and slavery, the kingdom of God and 'the world.' Vs. 43-44

Jesus speaks the truth knowing the religious leaders would reject it. Jesus says if He is not telling the truth He is a liar. His defense was that if He was not speaking truth the Pharisees ought to be able to convict Him of sins. Vs. 45-47

Unable to convict Jesus of sin, the Pharisees label Him a Samaritan (religious heretic) and accuse Him of having a demon (mad, unclean, and evil). Their rebellion was rooted in \_\_\_\_\_. Vs. 48-50

Jesus offered Himself as the deliverer from \_\_\_\_\_ death. The Pharisees misunderstood and argued that even Abraham and the prophets had died physically though they came from God. Jesus countered that actually Abraham in faith looked forward to His \_\_\_\_\_ as the Messiah. Vs. 51-57

Jesus closes His confrontation with the Pharisees with a strong double affirmation followed by an official proclamation.

- The double affirmation "Truly, truly" is based on the Hebrew word "\_\_\_\_\_" meaning "truth, worthy of \_\_\_\_\_," and set the stage for His proclamation.
- The proclamation that He was superior to Abraham declared Jesus to \_\_\_\_\_ and that He existed from the beginning as Creator of heaven and earth. Vs. 58-59; 1:1,14