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John 8:37-59

- I. Children of Abraham
  - A. Who are the true children of Abraham? (37, 56, 39-40 vs. 41, 48)
  - B. Abraham's children do what Abraham did (Genesis 12:1-11; 15:1-6; 18:1-8; 22:1-19; Galatians 3:7-9, 35-39)
  - C. Christians believe God's word
  
- II. Children of the Devil
  - A. Jesus says that his enemies are children of the devil, and they say the same of him! (48-49, 52-53 vs. 38, 41, 43-47)
  - B. The father of lies (Genesis 2:17; 3:4)
  - C. Christians hate lies
  - D. A murderer from the beginning (Romans 5:12; Hebrews 12:22, 24)
  - E. Christians love and preserve life
  
- III. Children of God
  - A. Who are the true children of God? (41-42, 47 vs., 49, 38, 42)
  - B. God's Son does what God does (John 5:19)
  - C. God glorifies his Son (50, 54-55)
  - D. The giver of truth (John 15:15)
  - E. The giver of life (vs. a murderer)
    1. Jesus Christ has life in himself, like the Father (John 1:4; 5:21, 26; 6:35, 48, 51; 11:25; 14:6; 17:2)
    2. we receive eternal life through believing in Jesus Christ (John 3:15-16, 36; 4:14; 5:24, 39; 6:33, 35, 40, 47, 53-54; 10:10, 28; 11:25; 17:3; 20:31)
  - F. Becoming children of God (47; John 1:10-13)
  
- IV. Greater than Abraham, Equal with the Father
  - A. Jesus is God (56-58; Psalm 90:2; Exodus 3:13-14; John 5:18)
  - B. Jesus is not simply a son of Abraham (Colossians 1:15-16; Proverbs 8:22-31)
  - C. Jesus is not only the Son of God
  
- V. Sons of God through Faith
  - A. Sons of Abraham through faith
  - B. Redeemed from the power of Satan through faith (Hebrews 2:14-15)
  - C. Sons of God through faith (John 1:10-13; Galatians 3:26)