

Seven Witnesses of Jesus

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1) Witness #1: Jesus was a witness to Himself (yet He disregarded that here)

Joh 5:31 If I bear witness of myself, my witness is not true.

A. Jesus is truth—And in other places He testified of Himself

Joh 14:6 Jesus saith unto him, I am the way, the truth, and the life...

Joh 10:25 Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not...

B. Yet the law (and Jesus) taught that multiple witnesses verify truth

Joh 8:13 The Pharisees therefore said unto him, Thou bearest record of thyself; thy record is not true.

Deu 19:15 One witness shall not rise up against a man for any iniquity...at the mouth of two witnesses, or at the mouth of three witnesses, shall the matter be established.

Mat 18:16 But if he will not hear *thee*, *then* take with thee one or two more, that in the mouth of two or three witnesses every word may be established.

2) Witness #2: John Baptist bore witness of Jesus (as the preached word now)

Joh 5:32 There is another that beareth witness of me; and I know that the witness which he witnesseth of me is true.

Joh 5:33 Ye sent unto John, and he bare witness unto the truth.

Joh 5:34 But I receive not testimony from man: but these things I say, that ye might be saved.

Joh 5:35 He was a burning and a shining light: and ye were willing for a season to rejoice in his light.

Joh 1:24 And they which were sent were of the Pharisees.

Joh 1:25 And they asked him...Why baptizest thou then, if thou be not that Christ...

Joh 1:26 John answered them, saying, I baptize with water: but there standeth one among you, whom ye know not;

3) Witness #3: Jesus' works bore witness of Jesus

Joh 5:36 But I have greater witness than *that* of John: for the works which the Father hath given me to finish, the same works that I do, bear witness of me, that the Father hath sent me.

Joh 3:2 (*Nicodemus*) ...Rabbi, we know that thou art a teacher come from God: for no man can do these miracles that thou doest, except God be with him.

Joh 7:31 And many of the people believed on him, and said, When Christ cometh, will he do more miracles than these which this *man* hath done?

Joh 10:32 Jesus answered them, Many good works have I shewed you from my Father; for which of those works do ye stone me?

Joh 10:38 ...though ye believe not me, believe the works...

Joh 9:32 Since the world began was it not heard that any man opened the eyes of one that was born blind.

Joh 10:25the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me.

Joh 10:26 But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep...

Joh 12:37 ...though he had done so many miracles before them, yet they believed not...

4) Witness #4: The Father's voice bore witness of Jesus (a very rare event)

Joh 5:37 And the Father himself, which hath sent me, hath borne witness of me. Ye have neither heard his voice at any time, nor seen his shape.

Mat 3:17 ...a voice from heaven...This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

Mat 17:5 ...behold, a bright cloud overshadowed them: and behold a voice out of the cloud, which said, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased; hear ye him.

5) Witness #5: The Father's word abiding in you (the church-building rocks)

Joh 5:38 And ye have not his word abiding in you: for whom he hath sent, him ye believe not.

Mat 16:16 ...Peter answered and said, Thou art the Christ, the Son of the living God.

Mat 16:17 And Jesus answered and said unto him, Blessed art thou, Simon Barjona: for flesh and blood hath not revealed *it* unto thee, but my Father which is in heaven.

Mat 16:18 ...upon this rock I will build my church...

Joh 6:45 It is written in the prophets, And they shall be all taught of God. Every man therefore that hath heard, and hath learned of the Father, cometh unto me.

6) Witness #6: The Holy Spirit inspired scriptures (the best witness thus far)

Joh 5:39 Search the scriptures; for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me.

2Pe 1:16 For we have not followed cunningly devised fables, when we made known unto you the power and coming of our Lord Jesus Christ, but were eyewitnesses of his majesty.

2Pe 1:17 For he received from God the Father honour and glory, when there came such a voice to him from the excellent glory, This is my beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.

2Pe 1:18 And this voice which came from heaven we heard, when we were with him in the holy mount.

2Pe 1:19 We have also a more sure word of prophecy; whereunto ye do well that ye take heed, as unto a light that shineth in a dark place, until the day dawn, and the day star arise in your hearts:

2Pe 1:20 Knowing this first, that no prophecy of the scripture is of any private interpretation.

2Pe 1:21 For the prophecy came not in old time by the will of man: but holy men of God spake *as they were* moved by the Holy Ghost.

7) Witness #7: The Holy Spirit within (the most basic essential witness of all)

A. Unborn-again natural man will not and cannot believe any witness of Jesus

Joh 5:40 And ye will not come to me, that ye might have life.

Joh 6:44 No man can come to me, except the Father which hath sent me draw him...

Joh 8:42 Jesus said unto them, If God were your Father, ye would love me...

Joh 8:43 Why do ye not understand my speech? *even* because ye cannot hear my word.

Joh 10:25 Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me.

Joh 10:26 But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep...

Joh 12:39 Therefore they could not believe...

1Co 2:14 But the natural man receiveth not the things of the Spirit of God: for they are foolishness unto him: neither can he know *them*, because they are spiritually discerned.

B. Jesus was not like men—Looking for applause or vain glory

Joh 5:41 I receive not honour from men.

Joh 6:15 When Jesus therefore perceived that they would come and take him by force, to make him a king, he departed again into a mountain himself alone.

C. The people whom Jesus spoke to were not God's born-again children

Joh 5:42 But I know you, that ye have not the love of God in you.

1Jn 4:7 ...for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God...

D. From a nature that looks for applause—Men prefer men over Jesus

Joh 5:43 I am come in my Father's name, and ye receive me not: if another shall come in his own name, him ye will receive.

Joh 5:44 How can ye believe, which receive honour one of another, and seek not the honour that *cometh* from God only?

Joh 12:43 For they loved the praise of men more than the praise of God.

Gal 1:6 I marvel that ye are so soon removed from him that called you into the grace of Christ unto another gospel:

Gal 1:7 Which is not another; but there be some that trouble you, and would pervert the gospel of Christ.

Gal 1:8 But though we, or an angel from heaven, preach any other gospel unto you than that which we have preached unto you, let him be accursed.

Gal 1:9 As we said before, so say I now again, If any *man* preach any other gospel unto you than that ye have received, let him be accursed.

Gal 1:10 For do I now persuade men, or God? or do I seek to please men? for if I yet pleased men, I should not be the servant of Christ.

E. From a nature of self—Men would rather die under law as live under grace

Joh 5:45 Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father: there is *one* that accuseth you, *even* Moses, in whom ye trust.

Joh 5:46 For had ye believed Moses, ye would have believed me: for he wrote of me.

Joh 5:47 But if ye believe not his writings, how shall ye believe my words?

Luk 16:27 ...I pray thee...that thou wouldest send him to my father's house...

Luk 16:29 ...They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.

Luk 16:30 ...but if one went unto them from the dead, they will repent.

Luk 16:31 And he said unto him, If they hear not Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded, though one rose from the dead.

Joh 11:53 Then from that day forth they took counsel together for to put him to death.

Joh 12:10 But the chief priests consulted that they might put Lazarus also to death;

Joh 12:11 Because that by reason of him many of the Jews...believed on Jesus.

Mat 28:13 ...Say ye, His disciples came by night, and stole him *away* while we slept.