

The ultimate tragedy of seeking your own honor
John 5:24-47

When Jesus said, *“how can you believe if you receive honor from one another, and do not seek the honor that comes from the only God?”* (v44), he was referring to the greatest obstacle to belief in Jesus. It is not intellectual argument or scientific data that keeps people from believing in and following Christ. It is simply our pride wants honor from man. This chapter is one of the pivotal places in the Bible which gives specific reasons to believe that Jesus is God and why people refuse to believe. There are three major headings under which we can understand John’s instruction:

I. He gives everlasting life, v24-30

II. He reveals five witnesses to the everlasting life which is in Christ, v39-40, 46-47

III. He reveals the real reason for unbelief, v40-44

Words for Kids to listen for:

Life

Everlasting life

Voice

Graves

Resurrection

Witness

Light

Not willing

Honor