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In the Spotlight

Re-read John 5:31–47

1. What was taking place in the first 30 verses of Chapter 5? What over-arching question was Jesus responding to in vs. 31– 47?
2. Having three witnesses was important to back up a claim. What three witnesses did Jesus sight to the Jewish leaders?
3. V. 37–47 is a relentless indictment on why it is hard to believe in Jesus. He lists 6 charges, the final one being the biggest (v. 44). The love of human praise gets in the way of our belief in Jesus. What can you actively do this week to take the spotlight off of yourself, and shine it on Christ?
4. The word “belief” is an action word. On the list below, circle areas where your belief in Jesus needs to grow.

I am in the Spotlight

- I need to be first
- It is all about me
- Be happy
- Get rich
- If it is hard, get out
- Buy, buy, buy
- Drink it, steal it, get it...I deserve it
- Serve myself
- Get revenge
- Serve myself
- Get revenge

Jesus is in the Spotlight

- Be last
- It's all about Jesus
- Be holy
- Store up in heaven
- When it is hard...endure
- Be generous, give it all away
- Deny yourself and take up your cross
- Serve others
- Love your enemy
- Serve others
- Love your enemy

Scripture passage for January 22

Some time after this, Jesus crossed to the far shore of the Sea of Galilee (that is, the Sea of Tiberias), ² and a great crowd of people followed him because they saw the signs he had performed by healing the sick. ³ Then Jesus went up on a mountainside and sat down with his disciples. ⁴ The Jewish Passover Festival was near.

⁵ When Jesus looked up and saw a great crowd coming toward him, he said to Philip, “Where shall we buy bread for these people to eat?” ⁶ He asked this only to test him, for he already had in mind what he was going to do.

⁷ Philip answered him, “It would take more than half a year’s wages to buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!”

⁸ Another of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter’s brother, spoke up, ⁹ “Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?”

¹⁰ Jesus said, “Have the people sit down.” There was plenty of grass in that place, and they sat down (about five thousand men were there). ¹¹ Jesus then took the loaves, gave thanks, and distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted. He did the same with the fish.

¹² When they had all had enough to eat, he said to his disciples, “Gather the pieces that are left over. Let nothing be wasted.” ¹³ So they gathered them and filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.

¹⁴ After the people saw the sign Jesus performed, they began to say, “Surely this is the Prophet who is to come into the world.” ¹⁵ Jesus, knowing that they intended to come and make him king by force, withdrew again to a mountain by himself.

John 6:1–15

