

JESUS AND ABRAHAM

John 8:45-59 Lesson #23

Key Verse: 8:58

Study Questions

1. Between whom did this conversation take place? Why didn't the Jews believe Jesus? Why could they not hear what God says? (46, 47) Why must you and I be truth seekers rather than those who follows lies?
3. When had they said previously that Jesus had a demon? (7:20) How do they dishonor Jesus? What did they imply about his ancestry? (48,49) What did Jesus say about himself? Who will maintain his honor? How do people dishonor Jesus today?
5. What promise does he make to those who keep his word? (51)
6. What had the Jews and Jesus previously said about Abraham? (33, 39, 40) Why did the Jews who heard Jesus' promise say they were sure he had a demon?
7. What did Jesus say about his relationship to Abraham? How does Jesus describe his relationship to God? How does he prove his relationship to God? How is Jesus different from the Jews?
8. How could Abraham rejoice to see Jesus' day? What is the importance of the claims Jesus makes for himself? In verse 58 Jesus refers to himself as "I am" and says that he was before Abraham. What does this mean in the light of history? (See Ex 3:14)
9. Why did the Jews reject Jesus' claims and try to stone him? What does this show about his claims about himself?