

Teaching Through Correction

John 8:1-59 (Series: Walking with Jesus)

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VI. Jesus teaches through _____ (7:53-8:59)

* A note about biblical translation, authenticity, and reliability as God's word...

➤ Beware of "did God *actually* say..." (Gen. 3:1)

It is true that there may be certain _____ of the books of the Bible we hold to be the inspired word of God that are dubious because they don't appear in older manuscripts, but keep in mind...

1. There are very _____ of those – certainly not enough to question the *entire* _____ of Scripture.
2. Those _____ of passages are small and only serve to _____ truths already established by the original author who wrote under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.
3. Those portions *may well* have been in the original writings, and we should not be too quick to dismiss them entirely

A. Scribes and Pharisees _____ Jesus of disregarding the law (7:53-8:11*)

B. Jesus and the Father are _____ (8:12-29)

1. Jesus said, "I am the _____ of the world" (v.12-20)
 - a. Pharisees – "your _____ is not true" (v. 13)
 - b. Jesus' teaching (v. 14-21)
 - 1.) Jesus' _____: "I bear witness about myself and the Father who sent me bears witness" (v. 18)
 - 2.) The Pharisee's _____: "You know neither me *nor* my Father."
2. Jesus said, "I am going away... you cannot come" (v. 21-29).
 - a. Question 1 (v. 22-24):
 - 1.) "Will He kill himself?"
 - 2.) Jesus' response: "unless you _____ that I _____ am He, you will die in your _____" (v. 23-24)
 - b. Question 2 (v. 25-29):
 - 1.) "Who are You?"

2.) Jesus' response: The _____ sent Him; He spoke "just as the Father taught [Him]." [This is the central teaching of this section.]

C. Some believe, some question, some reject (v. 30-59)

1. Many _____ in Him as He was speaking (v. 30-38)
 - a. Jesus _____ the believers (v. 31-32)
 - 1.) _____ in His word (v. 31a)
 - 2.) Truly be His _____ (v. 31b)
 - 3.) Know the _____ (v. 32a)
 - 4.) Be _____ by the truth (v. 32b)
 - b. Jesus _____ a false understanding/teaching about their plight as slaves to sin (v. 33-38)
2. Some among them were children of the _____ (v. 39-59)
 - a. Correcting: "Abraham is our father." (v. 39-41a)
 - 1.) People see their _____ heritage as their salvation (v. 39a)
 - 2.) Jesus sees their _____ as evidence of their doomed state (v. 39b-41a)
 - b. Correcting: "We have one Father – even God" (v. 41b-47).
 - 1.) People: "We were not born of _____" (v. 41b)
 - 2.) Jesus corrects: if God was their Father, they would love _____ whom the Father sent (v. 42-44)
 - 3.) Their response to Jesus, revealed their true father as being the _____ (v. 44-47)
 - c. Correcting: "You are a Samaritan [with] a demon" (v. 48-59).
 - 1.) 1st exchange:
 - i. The Jews believe Jesus has a _____ (v. 48)
 - ii. Jesus declares that keeping His _____ leads to escaping death (v. 50-51)
 - 2.) 2nd exchange (v. 52-56):

- i. People: "Who do you make yourself out to be?" (v. 52-53)
 - ii. Jesus: "My Father _____ me" (v. 54-56)
- 3.) 3rd exchange (v. 57-59):
- i. People: "have you seen Abraham?" (v. 57)
 - ii. Jesus: "Before Abraham was, I am" (v. 58)
 - iii. People recognize His " _____ " statement as a claim to deity (v. 59a)
 - iv. Jesus hid Himself (v. 59b)

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IV. Signs of Jesus' identity (6:1-71)

V. Confusion over Jesus' identity (7:1-52)

VII. Jesus teaches through **correction** (7:53-8:52)

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It is true that there may be certain **portions** of the books of the Bible we hold to be the inspired word of God that are dubious because they don't appear in older manuscripts. However, there are three very important things to keep in mind.

1. There are very **few** of those – certainly not enough to question the **entire canon** of Scripture.
2. Those **handful** of passages are small and only serve to **confirm** truths already established by the original author who wrote under the inspiration of the Holy Spirit.
3. Those portions *may well* have been in the original writings, and we should not be too quick to dismiss them entirely

D. Scribes and Pharisees **accuse** Jesus of disregarding the law (7:53-8:11*)

E. Jesus and the Father are **one** (8:12-29)

1. Jesus said, "I am the **light** of the world" (v.12-18)
 - a. Pharisees – "your **testimony** is not true" (v. 13)
 - b. Jesus' teaching
 - 1.) Jesus' **identity**: "I bear witness about myself and the Father who sent me bears witness" (v. 18)
 - 2.) The Pharisee's **problem**: "You know neither me *nor* my Father."
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 - a. Question 1 (v. 22-24):
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b. Question 2 (v. 25-29):

- 1.) "Who are You?"
- 2.) Jesus' response: The **Father** sent Him; He spoke "just as the Father taught [Him]." [This is the central teaching of this section.]

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1. Many **believed** in Him as He was speaking (v. 30-38)
 - a. Jesus **teaches** the believers (v. 31-32)
 - 1.) **Abide** in His word (v. 31a)
 - 2.) Truly be His **disciples** (v. 31b)
 - 3.) Know the **truth** (v. 32a)
 - 4.) Be **set free** by the truth (v. 32b)
 - b. Jesus **corrects** a false understanding/teaching about their plight as slaves to sin (v. 33-38)
2. Some among them were children of the **devil** (v. 39-47)
 - a. Correcting: "Abraham is our father." (v. 39-41a)
 - 1.) People see their **physical** heritage as their salvation (v. 39a)
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 - 3.) 3rd exchange (v. 57-59):
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 - ii. Jesus: "Before Abraham was, I am" (v. 58)

iii. People recognize His "**I am**" statement as a claim to deity (v. 59a)

iv. Jesus hid Himself (v. 59b)

Pastor's Note: In John 8 we see the confusion John described right before this developing into rejection and disdain. John uses the account of the opposition to Jesus to present Jesus' teaching on more details of His identity and His function as the Son of God. It is a good example for effective "Teaching Through Correction."