

Welcome to Hope Sabbath School—an in-depth interactive study of the Word of God. We are continuing a series of studies on Themes in the Gospel of John. Today's topic: MORE TESTIMONIES ABOUT JESUS.

1) John the Baptist testifies again

- a. In a previous study, we considered the early testimony of John the Baptist about Jesus—John 1:32-34. What important truths are revealed here?
- b. Why is divine revelation so important to understand the truth about God and His plan for our lives? 2 Timothy 3:16-17, Psalm 119:105, etc.
- c. John 3:30-36 What lessons can we learn from this later testimony about Jesus by John the Baptist?
- d. How can we ensure that we always point people to Jesus rather than drawing attention to ourselves?

2) Reactions after the feeding of the 5,000

- a. Summarize the great miracle when Jesus provided food for 5,000 men plus women and children.
- b. What was the expectation of the crowd the following day? John 6:22-31
- c. How did the followers of Jesus respond when He revealed the profound truth to them that He was the Bread of Life? John 6:48-66
- d. What lesson can we learn from the response of Simon Peter during this unsettled time when many were rejecting Jesus? John 6:67-69
- e. Share a turbulent time in your life when you made the decision not to abandon your faith but rather to hold on tightly to Jesus.

3) The testimony of God the Father about Jesus

- a. John doesn't record the details of the baptism of Jesus, but what testimony is recorded by all 3 synoptic writers? Matthew 3:17, Mark 1:11, Luke 3:22
- b. What revelation did Jesus give about the testimony of His Father? John 5:36-38
- c. What testimony of God the Father on the Mount of Transfiguration is recorded by Matthew and Mark? Matthew 17:5, Mark 9:7
- d. What additional testimony of God the Father about Jesus is only recorded by John? John 12:27-30
- e. Why are these testimonies important not only for Jesus and those present with Him during His earthly ministry but also for us?

4) The testimony of Jesus about Himself

- a. John 7:37-38 What bold testimony did Jesus give at the conclusion of the Feast of Tabernacles?
- b. How did those present at the feast respond to this bold declaration of Jesus? John 7:40-44
- c. What was the testimony of the officers who were sent to arrest Jesus and how did the religious leaders respond? John 7:45-49
- d. What lessons can we learn for our lives today?

