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**AMEN Bible Study 2023**  
**Knowing Christ: A Study Through the Book of John**  
**“Jesus Makes it Clear”**

**John 4:46-5:47**  
**November 1, 2023**

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I. Unlimited Power (4:46-54)

A. Our Weakness (v.46-49)

B. Christ's Sufficiency (v.50-54)

II. Unbounded Love (5:1-18)

A. Healing our Brokenness (v.1-9a)

B. Confronting our Sinfulness (v.9b-18)

i. Our Self-Centeredness (v.9b-15)

ii. Our Self-Righteousness (v.16-18)

III. Unequivocal Claim (v.19-29)

A. The 4 “For’s” (D.A. Carson)

1. V.19 – “For whatever the Father does, the Son does likewise.”

2. V. 20 – “For the Father loves the Son and shows him all that he himself is doing.”

3. V. 21 – “For as the Father raises the dead and gives life to them, so also the Son gives life to whom he will.”

4. V. 26 – “For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself.”

B. We Must Understand the Christian Faith (v.20-24; John 19:28; Psalm 22)

IV. Undeniable Testimony (v.30-47)

A. The Four Witnesses

i. The Father (v.32 and 37-38)

ii. John the Baptist (v.33-35)

iii. The Miraculous Works of Christ (v.36)

iv. The Old Testament Scriptures (v.39)

B. The One Accuser (v.40-47)

## Discussion Questions

### **Knowing**

1. How does Jesus's Interaction with the "Official" and the man at the Bethesda pool reveal Jesus's character?
2. What do the claims Jesus makes in John 5 reveal about his mission?

### **Being**

1. What goes through your mind as you read Jesus's description of our salvation in John 5:24? How does the use of the past tense ("has passed from death to life") encourage you in your faith?
2. Jesus confronts both our self-centeredness and self-righteousness in 5:9-19. In which one of those are you most likely to struggle?

### **Doing**

1. Where in your life right now do you need the power of Christ?
2. Where in your life right now do you need the love of Christ?