

# JESUS IS.

A SERIES IN JOHN

**September Memory Verse:** *"So Jesus said to the Jews who had believed him, 'If you abide in my word, you are truly my disciples, and you will know the truth, and the truth will set you free.'"*  
**John 8:31-32 (ESV)**

**Series: Jesus Is (28)**

**Title: The TRUTH that Will Set You Free**

**Scripture: John 8:31-47**

Who are you a disciple of? What are you a student of?

1. The Triune God - Father, Son, Holy Spirit
2. Someone who is NOT God
3. YOU
4. An ideal or cultural narrative

You are either a child of God or a child of Satan. If your ultimate authority is someone else, YOU or a cultural ideal then you are a child of Satan.

How to be a disciple of Jesus?

- Abide in His Word - (John 8:31; 15:4-11)

How do I abide in the Word of God?

- Hear His Word, Read the Word, Study the Word, Memorize the Word, Meditate on the Word, Proclaim the Word, Do the Word

How do I know that I am a disciple of Jesus?

1. I know the truth - so I can recognize a lie! (v. 31; Col. 2:8-10; Heb. 13:9)
2. The truth set me free - so I live free! (v. 32)
  - a. Free from sin and death
3. The Son set me free - so I am free indeed! (v. 36)
  - a. Nothing else controls me
4. God is my Father - so I love Jesus! (v. 42)

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How do we know the truth? What is the truth?

- Truth is objective
- Truth is universal
- Truth is absolute
- Truth is eternal (Psalm 119:60, Isaiah 40:8)
- Truth is freeing (John 8:31-36)

How do I know if I am a child of Satan?

1. I am a slave to my sin (v. 34).
2. I give no place to the Word of God in my life (v. 37).
3. I trust in my flesh—human birth, works (v. 39).
4. I try to hide or kill the truth or find a way around the truth (vs. 40, 44).
5. I do not love Christ or the things of Christ (v. 42).
6. I cannot bear to hear the Word—blinded by Satan (v. 43).
7. I am constantly justifying my actions to myself and others, harshly judging others (v. 44).
8. I do not hear the Word of God speaking to me (v. 47).

How do I become a child of God?

1. Confess and believe the truth about Jesus. (Romans 10:9-10; John 8:24)
  - a. He is the Son of God and Son of Man and lived the life none of us could.
  - b. He was crucified, died, resurrected, ascended, and is coming again.
2. Let this truth set me free from sin and death! (John 8:31-32)
3. Let the Son set me free from the things that control me - so I am free indeed! (John 8:36)

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