<u>John 5:30</u>

The man Jesus testified that he is the Son of God. There were also other witnesses that gave evidence to show it to be true, that Jesus is the promised Messiah. These witnesses give us good, strong and solid reasons to believe Jesus' testimony about who he is.

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Think about <u>Deuteronomy 17:6</u>.

On the evidence of two witnesses or of three witnesses the one who is to die shall be put to death; a person shall not be put to death on the evidence of one witness.

- 1. What is NOT enough evidence to decide the truth about important questions?
- 2. What IS enough evidence to decide the truth about important questions?

(2)

Think about John 5:31.

If I (Jesus) alone bear witness about myself, my testimony is not true.

1. Are the words of Jesus alone, enough evidence to believe his claim to be God's son?

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Think about John 5:33, and John 1:32-34.

(Jesus said to them) You sent to John (the Baptist), and he has borne witness to the truth.

And John (the Baptist) bore witness: "I saw the Spirit descend from heaven like a dove, and it remained on him (Jesus). ... he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

- 1. Who did Jesus say was another witness to the truth?
- 2. What truth did John the Baptist testify to?

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Think about John 5:32-36.

(Jesus said to them) There is another who bears witness about me, and I know that the testimony that he bears about me is true. ... But the testimony that I have is greater than that of John (the Baptist). For the works that the Father has given me to accomplish, the very works that I am doing, bear witness about me that the Father has sent me.

- 1. Who did Jesus say was another witness to the truth about Jesus?
- 2. How did this witness testify about Jesus?

- 3. What did this witness testify about Jesus?
- 4. What are some of the works that proclaim that Jesus was sent by God from heaven to earth? Luke 7:21-22

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Think about John 5:37, and Luke 3:21-22.

(Jesus said to them) ... the Father who sent me has himself borne witness about me. His voice you have never heard, his form you have never seen,

Now when all the people were baptized, and when Jesus also had been baptized and was praying, the heavens were opened, and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily form, like a dove; and a voice came from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased."

1. When God the Father testified from heaven about Jesus, what did he say?

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Think about John 5:39-40 and John 5:45-47.

You (Jews) search the Scriptures because you think that in them you have eternal life; and it is they that bear witness about me (Jesus), yet you refuse to come to me that you may have life.

Do not think that I will accuse you to the Father. There is one who accuses you: Moses, on whom you have set your hope. For if you believed Moses, you would believe me; for he wrote of me. But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe my words?"

Note: The Scriptures of the Jews is the Old Testament portion of the Bible.

- 1. What is another witness that testifies the truth about Jesus?
- 2. Why did some of the Jews refuse to believe Jesus?

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Think about John 20:30-31.

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that by believing you may have life in his name.

The apostle John witnessed Jesus do many miracles. Why did he write down his testimony of what he saw and heard Jesus do?