

Questions for Gospel Harmony #28

Part 2

John 5.17-47

1. Explain the statement: “My Father has been working until now, and I have been working.” How did the Jews react to these words? How did they interpret them? (Verses 17-18)
2. Explain the following phrases (Verses 19-21):
 - The Son can do nothing of Himself
 - But what He sees the Father do; for whatever He does, the Son also does in like manner.
 - He will show Him greater works than these, that you may marvel.
 - Even so the Son gives life to whom He will
3. In what way has “the Father committed all judgment to the Son”? Explain the phrase: “the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God; and those who hear will live.” Why does Jesus say we should not marvel that God has granted the Son to have life in Himself? On what basis does Jesus say, “My judgement is righteous”? (Verses 22-30)

4. Who was the “other who bears witness” of Jesus? Explain the following phrases (Verses 31-35):
 - If I bear witness of Myself, My witness is not true
 - I do not receive testimony from man, but I say these things that you may be saved.
 - He was the burning and shining lamp, and you were willing for a time to rejoice in his light.

5. To which works does Jesus refer? (Verse 36)

6. How did the Father testify about Jesus? What does it mean to have God’s word abiding in you? (Verses 37-38)

7. Explain the following phrases (Verses 39-47):
 - For in them you think you have eternal life
 - You do not have the love of God in you
 - If another comes in his own name, him you will receive
 - If you believed Moses, you would believe Me – for he wrote about Me