

JESUS SETS US FREE

John 8:31–59

Key Verses: 8:31–32

1. To whom was Jesus speaking (31a; 30; compare with 2:23–25)? What does it mean to “abide in” Jesus’ teaching, and how can we (31b)? What does it mean to be his true disciples?
2. What does it mean to “know the truth,” how does this happen to us, and how does it change us (31b–32; cf. 7:17)? What kind of freedom is Jesus talking about here?
3. How did the Jews answer him, and why (33)? What did they need to accept about themselves and about Jesus (34–36)? What did Jesus say was their problem (37–38)? What did they claim, and how did Jesus answer them (39–41)?
4. What else did Jesus tell them (42)? Why could they not understand Jesus (43–47)? What can we learn here about the devil, and why do we need to know this?
5. How did they insult Jesus (48)? How did he respond to them (49–51)? How did they react (52–53)? What else did Jesus tell them about himself and about his Father, and why (54–55)? What did he say about himself and Abraham, and what does this tell us about Jesus (56–58)? What happened (59)?