

## "A Father's Likeness"

TEXT: John 8:54-59

Scripture reading: II Cor. 4

**I. A lesson on faith's spiritual lineage - vv. 37-47**

**II. A lesson on faith's spiritual Life-giver - vv. 49-59**

A) The One who glorifies the Father - vv. 48-50

B) The One who rescues from death - vv. 51-53

This week:

**C) The One who is present from eternity - vv. 54-59**

1. The Son is glorified by the Father - vs. 54

2. The Son knows the Father - vs. 55

3. The Son has always been with the Father - vv. 56-59  
(Gen. 21:5-8; Heb. 11:13; Ex. 3:14)

**Conclusion:** Themes in John 8,

- Who Jesus is and the life that He gives
- What true faith is, and is not
- The opposing spiritual realms and their fatherly influences
- The unity of Father and Son
- The graciousness of the gospel invitation
- The rejection of God's Son
- The inadequacy of man's religion
- The sufficiency of Christ to save
- The truth that Christ was sent to proclaim

What believers need in their walk of faith...

1. A \_\_\_\_\_ for the \_\_\_\_\_ of Christ.  
(II Cor. 4:16-17)

2. A \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ more of Christ.  
(Jn. 17:3)

3. A \_\_\_\_\_ on the \_\_\_\_\_ from Christ.  
(II Cor. 4:18)

*"I should not like to say a hard thing of God's people, but I believe there are many of them who do not want to know too much."*  
Charles Spurgeon