The Gospel According to John

Lesson 19: John 8:12-59

February 17, 2015

1. Preparation: Read Isaiah 60:19-20. Pray. Write out and then memorize John 8:12.

2. Study: John 8:12-59. Read Kostenberger, *Encountering John*, Chapter 8, pages 96-99.

   a. **Observation**: What do the Scripture passages say?

      (1) **Where** is Jesus at the start of this Scripture passage and **why**? [MAP] (John 7:2-10)

      (2) **What** day of the event was it? (John 7:37, Leviticus 23:33-36)

      (3) **What** did Jesus say?

      (4) **How** did the Pharisees respond?

      (5) **What** did Jesus say in return and **how** did He justify what He said?

      (6) **What** did Jesus prophesy about the Pharisees? (John 8:21)

      (7) **How** did Jesus contrast Himself with the Pharisees?

      (8) **What** did Jesus say will be the result of these differences?

      (9) Was there any hope for the Pharisees?

      (10) **What** or **Who** is the source of Jesus's teachings and sayings?

      (11) **How** do the Jews respond to Jesus's declarations in John 8:31-33? Were their statements true? Give examples to substantiate your answer.

      (12) How does Jesus clarify his statements about being a slave?

(13) **Who** does Jesus say His Father is?

(14) **Who** does Jesus say is the father of the Pharisees?

(15) **Why** does Jesus say this (based on what evidence)?

(16) **Why** can't the Pharisees hear (comprehend) what Jesus is saying?

(17) **What** do the Pharisees conclude about Jesus?

(18) **How** does Jesus defend his position?

b. **Interpretation**: What does the Scripture passage mean?

(1) **How** (in what ways) would Jesus be lifted up?

(2) **Why** did the Pharisees pick up stones to throw at Jesus?

(3) **What** are some of the implications of Jesus's statements in this Scripture passage?

c. **Application**: How will you apply this Scripture passage in your life?

(1) **Who** is your spiritual father? **How** do you know?

(2) **How** has your life changed since you began following Jesus, the light of the world?

(3) Jesus said that "I am the light of the world". We too are lights. In **what** ways are you a light to those around you?

(4) Walking in light or walking in darkness. Sons of God the Father or sons of the father of lies. Did Jesus indicate there was any middle ground or neutral position? What are the implications for you, your family members, your friends and your neighbors? What will you do about it, with God's help?

3. Write out John 8:12 from memory.

4. Read 1 John 1:5-10. Conclude your study time with prayer.