

## FUSION Q's... John Part 6 – Jesus, a Cripple, and Some Angry Religious Dudes

### *Discussion Questions*

#### *Review*

- Q1. If there was one thing you could change in your life, what would it be? Why?
- Q2. Why do you think the cripple ratted Jesus out?
- Q3. Have you ever done something nice to someone and then had them be super mean in return? How did it make you feel?
- Q4. What do you think about Jesus' 4 bold claims? (God is his Father, He can give life, He will judge all men, He can give eternal life – salvation)

#### *Changing Gears... Read John 5:31-47*

- Q5. What did Jesus mean that any testimony on his own behalf would be invalid?
- Q6. What did Jesus claim was proof for who he was? If the proof was so amazing, why do you think the religious leaders wanted to kill him?  
*[proof – teaching, miracles, and God the Father through the Scriptures]*
- Q7. Why are the religious leaders not able to believe Jesus?
- Q8. How much does the approval of others mean to you? Why?
- Q9. What is the greatest barrier for you when it comes to believing in Jesus? What is the most difficult thing for you believe?

## Bible Passages for Fusion Discussion

### **John 5:31-47 (NLT)**

<sup>31</sup> “If I were to testify on my own behalf, my testimony would not be valid. <sup>32</sup> But someone else is also testifying about me, and I assure you that everything he says about me is true. <sup>33</sup> In fact, you sent investigators to listen to John the Baptist, and his testimony about me was true. <sup>34</sup> Of course, I have no need of human witnesses, but I say these things so you might be saved. <sup>35</sup> John was like a burning and shining lamp, and you were excited for a while about his message. <sup>36</sup> But I have a greater witness than John—my teachings and my miracles. The Father gave me these works to accomplish, and they prove that he sent me. <sup>37</sup> And the Father who sent me has testified about me himself. You have never heard his voice or seen him face to face, <sup>38</sup> and you do not have his message in your hearts, because you do not believe me—the one he sent to you.

<sup>39</sup> “You search the Scriptures because you think they give you eternal life. But the Scriptures point to me! <sup>40</sup> Yet you refuse to come to me to receive this life.

<sup>41</sup> “Your approval means nothing to me, <sup>42</sup> because I know you don’t have God’s love within you. <sup>43</sup> For I have come to you in my Father’s name, and you have rejected me. Yet if others come in their own name, you gladly welcome them. <sup>44</sup> No wonder you can’t believe! For you gladly honor each other, but you don’t care about the honor that comes from the one who alone is God.

<sup>45</sup> “Yet it isn’t I who will accuse you before the Father. Moses will accuse you! Yes, Moses, in whom you put your hopes. <sup>46</sup> If you really believed Moses, you would believe me, because he wrote about me. <sup>47</sup> But since you don’t believe what he wrote, how will you believe what I say?”