- 43. Therefore, a division arose among the people because of Him.

 44. Now some of them desired to take 48 John 7:30 48 John 12:42
- 44. Now some of them desired to take Him, but no one laid hands on Him.
- 45. As a result, when the officers came to |50 John 3:2the chief priests and the Pharisees, they said to them, "Why did you not bring Him?"
- 46. The officers answered, "Never has a man spoken like this man.
- 47. Then the Pharisees answered them, "Are you also being deceived?
- 48. Has even one of the rulers or of the Pharisees believed in Him?
- 49. But these people who do not know the law are accursed."
- 50. Then Nicodemus (being one of them, the one who came to Him by night) said to them.
- 51. "Does our law judge any man without first hearing from him in person, and knowing what he does?"
- 52. They answered and said to him, "Are you also from Galilee? Search and see, for no prophet has ever come out of Galilee."
- 53. And each one went to his house.

CHAPTER EIGHT

- 1. But Jesus went to the Mount of Olives.
- 2. And at dawn He came again into the temple, and all the people came to Him; and He sat down and taught them.
- 3. Then the scribes and the Pharisees brought to Him a woman who had been taken in adultery; and after setting her in the center,
- 4. They said to Him, "Teacher, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery.
- 5. And in the law, Moses commanded us that those who commit such a sin should be stoned. Therefore, what do You say?"
- 6. Now they said this to tempt Him, so that they might have *cause* to accuse Him. But Jesus stooped down *and* wrote on the ground with *His* finger on the ground with *His* finger.
- 7. And as they continued to ask Him, He lifted Himself up *and* said to them, "Let the sinless one among you cast the first 19 John 14:7, stone at her."
- 8. And again He stooped down and wrote on the ground.
- 9. But after hearing this, they were convicted each by his own conscience, and 1 John 4:5 24 Mark 16:16 went out one by one, beginning with the John 8:21

- Acts 6:7 1 Cor. 1:20, 26, 2:8
- **51** Deut. 1:17, 17:8, 19:15 **52** Isa. 9:1, 2 Mat. 4:15 John 1:46, 7:41

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5 Lev. 20:10 Deut. 22:22 7 Deut. 17:7 Rom. 2:1 9 Rom. 2:22

- older ones until the last. And Jesus was left alone, with the woman standing in the center.
- 10. And when Jesus lifted Himself up and saw no one but the woman, He said to her, "Woman, where are your accusers? Did anyone condemn you?"
- 11. And she said, "No one, Lord." And Jesus said to her, "Neither do I condemn you. Go, and sin no more.'
- 12. Then Jesus spoke to them again, saying, "I am the light of the world; the one who follows Me shall never walk in darkness, but shall have the light of life."
- 13, Therefore, the Pharisees said to Him, "You are testifying about Yourself; Your testimony is not true."
- 14. Jesus answered and said to them, "Even if I testify about Myself, My testimony is true, because I know where I have come from and where I am going. But you do not know where I come from and where I go.
- 15. You judge according to the flesh; I judge no one.
- 16. Yet if I do judge, My judgment is true, for I am not alone; but I and the Father Who sent Me.
- 17. And it is written in your law that the testimony of two men is true.
- 18. I am *one* Who bears witness of Myself, and the Father, Who sent Me bears witness of Me."
- 19. Then they said to Him, "Where is Your Father?" Jesus answered, "You know neither Me nor My Father. If you had known Me, you would also have known My Father.'
- 20. Jesus spoke these words in the treasury while teaching in the temple; but no one arrested Him because His time had not yet come.
- 21. Then Jesus said to them again, "I am going away; and you shall seek Me, but you shall die in your sin. Where I am going, you are not able to come.'
- 22. Therefore, the Jews said, "Will He kill Himself? Is that why He says, 'Where I am going, you are not able to come'?"
- 23. And He said to them, "You are from beneath; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world.
- 24. That is why I said to you that you shall die in your sins; for if you do not believe that I AM, you shall die in your sins."

11 Luke 9:56,

16:3 **20** Mark 12:41

Rom. 1:4

10:42, 11:45 32 Rom. 6:14, 18, 22 Jas. 1:25,

Gal. 5:1 37 John 7:19 38 John 3:32, 5:19, 30,

14:10, 24 39 Mat. 3:9 Rom. 2:28,

Gal. 3:7, 29

40 John 8:26, 37 **41** Isa. 63:16,

64:8 Mal. 1:6

42 John 5:43,

7:28-29, 16:27, 17:8, 25 1 John 5:1

25. Then they said to Him, "Who are You?" And Jesus said to them, "The one 28 John 3:32, 7:28, 15:15 28 John 3:11, that I said to you from the beginning.

26. I have many things to say and to Rom. 1.4 29 John 4:34, 5:30, 6:38, 8:16, 14:10 30 John 7:31, judge concerning you; but He Who sent Me is true, and what I have heard from Him, these things I speak to the world."

27. But they did not know that He was

27. But they did not know that He was speaking to them of the Father.

28. Then Jesus said to them, "When you have lifted up the Son of man, then you yourselves shall know that I AM, and 36 Rom. 8:2

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29. And He Who sent Me is with Me. The Father has not left Me alone because I always do the things that please Him." 30. As He spoke these things, many be-

lieved in Him.

31. Therefore, Jesus said to the Jews who had believed in Him, "If you continue in My word, you are truly My disciples.

32. And you shall know the truth, and the

truth shall set you free."

33. They answered Him, "We are Abraham's seed, and have never been in bondage to anyone. What do You mean by saying, 'You shall become free'?"

34. Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly I say to you, everyone who practices sin is a servant of sin.

35. And the servant does not live in the house forever; but the Son lives forever.

36. Therefore, if the Son shall set you free, you shall truly be free.

37. I know that you are Abraham's seed; but you are seeking to kill Me, because My words do not enter into your *minds*.

38. I speak the things that I have seen from My Father, and you do the things that you have seen from your father."

39. They answered and said to Him, "Our father is Abraham" Jesus said to 1 John 3:8 "Our father is Abraham." Jesus said to them, "If you were Abraham's children, do the would do the real and a share state of the state o you would do the works of Abraham.

40. But now you seek to kill Me, a man who has spoken the truth to you, which I have heard from God; Abraham did not do this.

41. You are doing the works of your father." Then they said to Him, "We have not been born of fornication. We have one Father, and that is God."

42. Therefore, Jesus said to them, "If God were your Father, you would love Me, because I proceeded forth and came

from God. For I have not come of Myself, but He sent Me. 14, 5:19, 30, 12:32

43. Why don't you understand My speech? Because you cannot bear to hear My words.

44. You are of *your* father the devil, and the lusts of your father you desire to practice. He was a murderer from the beginning, and has not stood in the truth because there is no truth in him. Whenever he speaks a lie, he is speaking from his own *self*; for he is a liar, and the fa-

45. And because I speak the truth, you do not believe Me.

46. Which *one* of you can convict Me of sin? But if I speak *the* truth, why don't you believe Me?

47. The one who is of God hears the words of God. For this reason you do not hear, because you are not of God."

48. Then the Jews answered and said to Him, "Are we not right in saying that You are a Samaritan and have a demon?" 49. Jesus answered, "I do not have a demon. But I honor My Father, and you dishonor Me.

50. Yet I do not seek My own glory; there is one Who seeks and judges.

51. Truly, truly I say to you, if anyone keeps My words, he shall not see death forever."

52. Then the Jews said to Him, "Now we know that You have a demon. Abraham and the prophets died; yet You say, 'If anyone keeps My words, he shall not taste of death forever.'

53. Are You greater than our father Abraham who died? And the prophets, who died? Whom do You make Yourself

54. Jesus answered, "If I glorify Myself, My glory is nothing. It is My Father Who glorifies Me, of Whom you say that He is

55. Yet you have not known Him; but I know Him. And if I say that I do not know Him, I shall be a liar, like you. But I know Him, and I keep His Word.

56. Abraham your father was overjoyed to see My day; and he saw it, and rejoiced."

57. Then the Jews said to Him, "You are not even fifty years old, and You have seen Abraham?"

58. Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly I say to you, before Abraham was born, I AM."

1 John 4:6 48 John 7:20, 8:52, 10:20 **50** John 5:41,

7:18 51 John 5:24, 11:26 52 Zech. 1:5 Heb. 11:13 54 John 5:41, 16:14, 17:1 Acts 3:13 55 John 7:28

55 John 7:28, 29 56 Luke 10:24 Heb. 11:13

58 Ex. 3:14 Isa. 43:13 John 17:5, 24 Col. 1:17 Rev. 1:8

59. Then they picked up stones to throw at Him. But Jesus concealed Himself 59 Luke 4:30 John 10:31, 39, 11:8 and went out of the temple, passing through the midst of them, and in this manner departed.

CHAPTER NINE

- 1. Now as Jesus was passing by, He saw a man who was blind from birth.
- 2. And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?"
- 3. Jesus answered, "Neither did this man sin, nor his parents; rather, this blindness came so that the works of God might be manifested in him.
- 4. I must work the works of Him Who sent Me while it is still day. When the night comes, no one is able to work.
- 5. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world."
- 6. After saying these things, He spat on the ground, and made clay of the spittle, and applied the clay to the eyes of the blind man.
- 7. And He said to him, "Go and wash in the pool of Siloam" (which is, by interpretation, "Sent"). Then he went and washed, and came from there seeing.
- 8. Therefore, the neighbors and those who had seen him before, and knew that he was blind, said, "Isn't he the one who was sitting and begging?"
- 9. Some said, "It is he." But others said, "He is like him." He said, "I am the one."
- 10. Then they said to him, "How were your eyes opened?"
- 11. He answered and said, "A man called Jesus made clay, and applied it to my eyes, and said to me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash'; and after I went and washed, I received sight."
- 12. Then they said to him, "Where is 16 John 3:2, 7:12, 43, 9:33, 10:19
- 13. They brought him who was once 17 John 4:19, 6:14 blind to the Pharisees.
- 14. Now it was *the* Sabbath when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes.
- 15. Therefore, the Pharisees in turn also asked him how he had received sight.

Chap. 9

2 John 9:34 3 John 11:4 4 John 4:34, 5:19, 36, 11:9, 12:35, 17:4

5 John 1:5, 9, 3:19, 8:12, 12:35, 46 6 Mark 7:33,

8:23 7 2 Ki. 5:14 Neh. 3:15 11 John 9:6, 7

And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed; and *now* I see."

16. Then some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God because He does not keep the Sabbath."* Others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such miracles?" And there was a division among them.

17. They said to the blind man again, "What do you say about Him since He opened your eyes?" And he said, "He is a prophet."

18. However, the Jews did not believe this about him, that he was blind and had received sight, until they called the parents of the one who had received sight.

19. And they asked them, saying, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?"

20. His parents answered them and said, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind.

21. But how he now sees, we do not know; or who opened his eyes, we do not know. He is of age; ask him. He will speak for himself."
22. His parents said these things because

they were afraid of the Jews; for the Jews had already agreed among themselves that if anyone confessed Him to be the Christ, he would be put out of the synagogue.

23. For this reason, his parents said, "He is of age; ask him."

24. Therefore, they called a second time for the man who had been born blind, and said to him, "Give glory to God. We know that this man is a sinner."

25. Then he answered and said, "Whether He is a sinner, I do not know. One thing I do know, that I was blind, and now I see."

26. And they said to him again, "What did He do to you? How did He open your

27. He answered them, "I have already told you, and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you desire to become His disciples, too?"

28. Then they railed at him and said, "You are His disciple, but we are Moses" disciples.

0:14 22 John 7:13, 9:34, 12:42, 16:2, 19:38 Acts 5:13 24 Josh. 7:19

1 Sam. 6:5 John 9:16

^{*}The Pharisees were judging Jesus' action of making the clay on the Sabbath as a sin. Because in their view He was laboring, they condemned Jesus and claimed that He did not keep the Sabbath. But Jesus Christ is Lord of the Sabbath day and never broke the command to refrain from servile work on the Sabbath. The records of the New Testament make it explicitly clear that Jesus never sinned by breaking any of the Ten Commandments, including the Fourth Commandment, which sanctifies the Sabbath day.