

6-5-22 Facilitator The Authority of Jesus, Tim Rice Jn 8 vs 12, 31-38,42-59

1. **Launchers:** How do you decide what is true?

2. **Worship:** Here are 2 options

- Listen to or watch the video – That’s My King <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZKsN-AeqJPO>
- Read and enjoy David’s description of God in 1 Chronicles 29:10-22

3. **Sermon Reflection: The Authority of Jesus – John 8:12, 21-38,24-59**

SELFISH AUTONOMY

- How is there a personal motive in our unbelief?
- Why do you choose to govern yourself rather than enjoy God’s governance?
- When is it hard for you to hear the truth?

THE LIGHT OF THE WORLD

- What is at the foundation of our confidence as Christians?
- What or who has the highest authority in your life?
- “Consider the source” – when you do and the source is God what do you conclude?

IF ANYONE KEEPS MY WORD

- How does Jesus promise us gracious hope?
- How does your life demonstrate that you cherish Jesus by keeping His Word?

4. **Kingdom Centered Prayer:** YOU CAN PRAY WITH US...

1. Worship the LORD, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, for His supreme wisdom and authority. Praise Him, Father, Son and Holy Spirit that by His Grace He has put into place a plan that is profound and ingenious.
2. How have you willfully ignored what God has revealed about Himself and your own heart? Confess your darkness to Jesus and trust Him to be light to you, to redeem you and to give you meaning and direction.
3. Give thanks to Jesus for His trustworthiness in all of His authority and promises to save whoever trusts in Him. Thank Him that what He has done utterly matches all that He has said, *even His death and resurrection*.
4. Who do you know that does not know God or honor His authority? Pray for them, asking the Lord to reveal Himself to them, and to use you to convey His love and grace to them.
5. Ask the Holy Spirit to give you the fruit of faith, to receive Jesus, believe Him and be born of His obedient heart. Ask for insight into Jesus’ character and work *so that you can be confident in His promises and commands*.

5. **Mission:** Share how you came to believe with your friends in CG, at work and with family.

- Look to the week ahead and target a couple folks or conversations to bless with the story of how you came to trust and believe in Jesus.
- Who told? How old were you? Did you ever waver? How are you continuing to believe more and more?

6. **Jesus From Others**

Close your time together in letting each person share something they came to love about Jesus from something someone in the group shared during your time together.

- What do you love more about Jesus from what someone shared during our CG tonight?