

## SERMON OUTLINE/NOTES

### "The Four Witnesses"

John 5:31-36 (John 5:31-47)

#### Introduction

- "Trust me" – NOT (Jeremiah 17:5; Deuteronomy 19:5)
- Doesn't apply to Jesus; yet He condescended to the principle found in Proverbs 27:2 (v. 31)

#### Four Witnesses Presented (vs. 32-47)

1. John the Baptizer (vs. 32-35)
  - His witness is true (vs. 32-33)
  - Presented that we might be saved (vs. 34; John 1:29-34, 36)
  - A burning and shining lamp (v. 35; Luke 1:76-79; John 1:48)
2. Jesus works He did (v. 36)
  - A greater witness than John (1 John 5:9; John 10:25; 3:2)
3. The Father Himself (vs. 37-44) – Next week, Lord willing
4. Moses (vs. 45-47) – Next week, Lord willing

#### Conclusion and Application

- Jesus' testimony can be trusted – No reason to doubt
- Test what you see and hear with Scripture (2 Corinthians 11:13-15; Jeremiah 17:9; Galatians 1:6-9; Matthew 24:24)
- Don't think too highly of yourself – don't brag about yourself
- Let your life of faith be the testimony (Galatians 5:24-26, 23)
- Seek God with a broken and contrite heart when fall short; repent; seek to be filled with the Holy Spirit so that our words and deeds reflect who we claim to be to the glory of God