

“Amazed by Authority” Group Study

Signs of Life: **Week 3**

Passage: John 5:18-29

Pastor Ryan Paulson

ICEBREAKER:

1. Share a time you were amazed by Jesus.
2. What is your favorite summer fruit (or food)?

As a way to get into the study, try to remember the Sermon Outline from Sunday:

(In case you get stuck, click this link for the filled in outline: [Amazed by Authority - outline](#))

Being **amazed** by Jesus' _____ should cause us to follow him _____.

Jesus has authority to:

1. _____
2. _____

Since Jesus has _____, we have _____.



Discover the Way of Jesus

(Every week in these studies, we will ask questions about the Scriptures that try to help us Discover the unique Way of Jesus that is found in the text.)

3. Who are those who pass on from death to life in John 5:24?
4. Read John 5:28-29. How will Jesus' authority impact the eternal destiny of every human being?
5. Why is Jesus' judgment just?



Develop the Heart of Jesus

(This is the part of the study where we work on our own hearts. “How does my character need to grow and change because of this passage?”)

6. How can our personal biases hinder God's work in shaping us into the image of His Son?

7. Identify those voices in the culture we can wrongly believe are authorities.
8. Ryan reminded us that the things we give authority to will shape the contours of our life and the decisions we make. In what area of your life do you struggle to give Jesus authority?



Live on Mission with Jesus

(This is the part of the study that we ask, “What would God want us to do because of this passage?”)

9. Conclude your group by reading Romans 8:1 together.
10. Let your group know if you struggle with condemnation so you can be prayed for and move forward in freedom.

Church Announcements & Info:

All Church Beach Day!

Wednesday, July 5, at Oceanside Harbor near lifeguard tower #16. We'll enjoy a BBQ dinner at 6pm and a time of prayer and worship at 7pm (and baptisms for anyone who wishes to be baptized). If you'd be willing help serve people at this event, please click here to find out how you can help: <https://efcc.ccbchurch.com/goto/scheduling/35/public>

VBS Volunteers & Snack Donations

→ Needed by Sunday, July 9 for our VBS week (July 17-21)

We're still seeking volunteers for our Camp Kilimanjaro week of VBS from July 17-21. Sign up to help be a small group leader or other role. Also, many snack donations are needed. Click this link for more details: <https://www.efcc.org/event/faithkids-vbs/>