## **JESUS GIVES LIFE**

John 5:17-47 Key Verse: 5:24

> "Very truly I tell you, whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life and will not be judged but has crossed over from death to life."

- 1. How did Jesus defend himself when he was accused of healing a man on the Sabbath (17)? What did Jesus teach about his relationship to the Father and the Father's work? Why did the Jewish leaders try to kill Jesus (18)?
- 2. What characterizes the relationship between the Father and the Son (19-20)? What amazing work was Jesus doing (21)? Why did the Father entrust all judgment to the Son (22-23)?
- 3. Read verse 24. What marvelous promise did Jesus give and to whom is it given (24)? What does it mean to cross over from death to life (Col 1:13-14)? What is the significance of hearing Jesus' voice (25)? What authority was given to Jesus (26-27)?
- 4. What future event did Jesus refer to (28-29)? How will Jesus' authority impact the eternal destiny of every human being? Why is Jesus' judgment just (30)?
- 5. In verses 31-39, Jesus introduces four testimonies to support his claim of authority. What was the character of John's testimony (33-35)? What was the weightier testimony (36)? How did the Father testify (37-38)? What is the testimony of Scripture (39)?
- 6. Despite the sound evidence for Jesus' claim, what was the Jewish leaders' response to him (40)? What real issues did Jesus point out about the Jewish leaders (41-47)? Based on this passage, how should we respond to Jesus?