



International Bible Study Commentary

Verse-by-Verse Bible Lessons Thru the Bible

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John 10:32-42 Study Hints for Discussion

[Study Hints for Discussion and Thinking Further](#) are not actually intended to be *the answers* to the discussion questions. These indeed are “hints” a teacher may use to help students think through and discuss the questions in class. The [Class Preparation Guide](#) includes the questions below, and it can be given to students at the end of the previous class; then, they can pray, read, and think ahead to prepare for the next week’s Bible lesson. And/Or, consider giving each student the [Verse-by-Verse Scripture Handout](#), which includes the Bible verses to be studied before class and other questions.

1. Why do you think Jesus spoke of doing good works instead of great works?

Many evil people do great works to impress people. Every good person can do good works and bear good fruit. Jesus only and always did good works. The fact that He did great good works made clear that He was sent from God and His great good works were consistent with His being the Son of God. If He were not the Son of God, claiming to be the Son of God would not have been a good work. Jesus proved He was and is the Son of God.

2. What accusation did the religious leaders make against Jesus?

They said He was only a man who was making himself God.

3. In John 10:35, who did Jesus say were called “gods”? In your opinion, who were some of these people?

“Those to whom the word of God came.” Abraham, Moses, and Jesus.

4. What did Jesus say about the Bible (Scripture)? What does that mean today?

Scripture cannot be broken or made invalid. The Bible is the true Word of God written, the revelation of God that reveals absolute, objective truth.

5. Why did Jesus tell people to believe the works He did?

He knew that He was doing the good works of God, and if they would believe that He was doing the good works of God that could be a first step in their believing in Him and all He taught: thus they could receive Him as the Messiah and the Savior of the world.

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