

**Jesus is the same as God and the Jews don't like it.
(John 5.1-29; 02-21-21am)**

Central thought: The Son is like the Father – a shared deity invites a shared honor

I. Observing the power of Jesus (1-9)

Truth: Jesus performed the works of God in order to reveal His relationship to God

Revelation: God's characteristics, that Jesus shares with God

Mercy: Jesus compassion shows His concern for those who are hurting (5)

Wisdom: God knows the needs of all people; so does Jesus (6)

Omnipotence: Jesus uses this healing episode to reveal His divine power (7-9)

II. Understanding the deity of Jesus (9-18)

A. Misplaced priorities: religion over relationship; law over grace (11-15)

B. Missing the priority of grace leads to denying the deity of Jesus (16-18)

III. Accepting the authority of Jesus (19-29)

Several observations

Jesus is able to do whatever God can do (19)

Jesus is entitled to the same honor that God is entitled to (23)

Jesus is able to give life– spiritually and physically (24-26)

Jesus is able to judge sinners (27)