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**Sermon Notes for January 7<sup>th</sup>**

**“When Does Eternal Life Begin?”**

Sermon Text: **John 5:19-29 (p. 1133)**; Old Testament Text: **Psalm 34:1-8 (p. 588)**; New Testament Text: **1 John 5:6-12 (p. 1304)**.

Read **John 5:19-29 (p. 1133)**; while listening to the sermon, then answer the questions below.

1. Read **John 5:19 (p. 1133)**.

Whenever Jesus begins a statement with, *“Truly, truly, I say to you,”* or *“I tell you the truth,”* what should we immediately know?

According to this verse, whenever Jesus healed someone, or cast out demons from someone, or performed any type of miracle, who was directing Him to do those things?

2. Read **John 5:20 (p. 1133)**.

According to Jesus, why did the Father show Him everything He was doing?

To what two greater works is Jesus alluding at the end of this verse?

3. Read **John 5:21 (p. 1133)**.

There are three accounts of people being raised from the dead in the Old Testament and three accounts of people being raised from the dead in the New Testament. Is that what Jesus was talking about here when He referred to He and His Father raising people from the dead?

What was Jesus talking about here?

Why would this have been a dangerous statement for Jesus to make about Himself.

4. Read **John 5:22-23 (p. 1133)**.

Why would most of the Jews have objected to what Jesus said in these verses?

Why does it make sense that the Father would wish to honor His Son by giving Him the authority to judge mankind?

5. Read **John 5:24 (p. 1133)**.

How do we know there is an important truth, or truths, contained in this passage?

According to Jesus, how do we receive eternal life?

What is the big change that occurs when we receive eternal life?

Have you experienced that change in your life?

6. Read **John 5:25 (p. 1133)**.

To what is Jesus referring when He says, *an hour is coming when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live?*

To what is Jesus referring when He says, *an hour is coming, and is now here, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live?*

7. Read **John 5:26 (p. 1133)**.

Why would these words of Jesus have made most Jews incredibly uncomfortable?

8. Read **John 5:27 (p. 1133)**.

Why does it make perfect sense that Jesus would be given the authority judge mankind?

What was Jesus's favorite title for Himself?

How should that make us feel?

9. Read **John 5:28-29 (p. 1133)**.

Why should the people not have been amazed by what Jesus was saying here?

Explain why being judged by our works does not violate the truth that we are saved by faith in Jesus Christ?

Who ultimately decides whether we will go to heaven or hell?

10. What will you remember most from this message?

