



# “TELL US PLAINLY”

JOHN 10:17-25

# “Who Are You?”

- Jesus frequently faced questions about His identity:
- When He calmed the wind and sea (Matthew 8:27).
- John’s disciples (Matthew 11:3).
- After healing (Matthew 12:22-24) and in His hometown (Matthew 13:54-57).
- Giving sight to the man born blind (John 9).
- “Who are You?” (John 8:23-26).
- Some, to be sure, were more perceptive (John 7:25-31), but only His closest disciples came close to putting all the pieces together (Matthew 16:13ff).

# “I AM”

- It is striking how Jesus did not present Himself as having all the answers, but as being the answer. “I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life” (John 14:6).
- He claims to be the “Bread of life” (John 6:48-51).
- He claims to be the “Light of the world” (John 8:12).
- He claims to be a divine witness to Himself and His authority (John 8:14-18).
- He claims to be the fulfillment of prophecy (Isaiah 61:1, Luke 4:21).

# His Direct Claims

- He claims to be the Son of God, making Himself equal in power with God (John 20:17, Luke 2:49, John 10:30, 14:10-11).
- One of His most memorable claims is found in John 8:51-59, in which He exclaims, "Before Abraham was born, I AM."
- Other scriptures back up this assertion (John 1:1, Philippians 2:6, Revelation 1:8).



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