

Seven Signs Of Jesus In John Sunday AM 10/28/18

Introduction:

John speaks of the seven "signs" of Jesus in His Gospel. The Jews looked for signs and were told to do so, *Isa. 7.14*.

I) What is a sign?

A) Miracles, wonders, and signs are often mentioned together.

1. That by which a person or a thing is distinguished from others and is known.
2. Unusual occurrence transcending the common course of nature.

II) Important points

A) The Jews asked for "signs" in determining if Jesus was the Christ, *Matthew 12.38-39*

1. *Matthew 16.1-4* is after Jesus had given them numerous signs.
2. John mentions signs in *John 2.18; 6.30*.

B) *Acts 5.12* miracles appears with the word sign

1. The intention of the miracle was to serve as a sign.
2. *Acts 2.22; 8.13* and *Hebrews 2.4*.

3. The purpose was to confirm was sent by God, to confirm the word being preached, and to add to our faith.

C) In John 7 signs mentioned to prove *John 1.14*.

1. Not a preponderance of miracles.
2. Seven tends to indicate completeness.
3. A moral relationship to His character.

III) *John 20.30-31; 21.25*.

A) *John 2.1-11* turning water into wine.

1. Sign of quality—Jesus was not just sent by God, He was the Son of God.
2. He did not just promise blessings but greater blessings.
3. Shown in *John 10.10* not just life but eternal life.
4. The better promises of the New Covenant, *Hebrews 8.6; 7.19-22*.
5. Result was the disciples believed.

B) *John 4.46-54* the healing of the noble man's son

1. Jesus power over physical disease and his omnipresence.
2. There are no barriers to Jesus.

- a. We are never so far away that Jesus cannot help us.
- b. *Matthew 18.20* Jesus is with His brethren
3. Resulting in belief, *John 4.50, 53.*

C) *John 5.1-18* the healing of the man by the pool.

1. Sign of His ability over that which hinders us.
2. This man had been crippled for thirty-eight years.
3. Time is that which we measure and is limited.
4. In creation, God created everything in 6 days, *Genesis 1.*
5. His word is timeless, *2 Peter 3.8-9.*
6. Resulted in belief, *John 5.9*

D) *John 6.1-14* the feeding of the 5,000

1. Sign of quality and quantity.
2. He provided for the physical needs of 5,000 and showed His ability to provide for their spiritual needs.
 - a. He is the Savior of the Jews and all of mankind, *1 Samuel 14.6.*
 - b. It is through Jesus we can all be saved, *Titus 2.11.*

3. Result – Jesus acknowledged as a prophet.

E) *John 6.16-21* walking on water

1. Sign of nature
2. Today some see nature as a god. Some environmentalist see trees, rivers, etc as a god
 - a. Here Jesus proves His ability to use and limit nature.
 - b. The laws of nature are a result of God, *Acts 14.17*
3. God also sets spiritual laws by which we must be saved.

F) *John 9.1-41* the healing of the blind man

1. Sign of or His ability to give light and get us out of darkness.
2. Jesus claimed to give relief to our burdens, *Matthew 11.28-30*.
 - a. He suffered so we don't have to.
 - b. He died so we can escape the penalty of death, *Col. 1.13-14*.
3. Result- progressive belief, *9:11, 17,33, 38*

G) *John 11.44* the raising of Lazarus

1. Sign of death and life.

2. Ability to give life, *John 5.28-29*.
3. What promise do we have to the resurrection?
Jesus overcame death, *Acts 2.24; 1 Cor. 15.20-23*.

Conclusion:

These signs are for us today. Do you believe Jesus? Are you will to make obedience to Him?