

# Gospel of John

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**I AM the Light of the world (God). You have no right to teach us! Reject Him; down...**

And what is Jesus' absolutely true response? **8:14-18; 7:28-29; Titus 1:2; Heb.6:16-18**

**My testimony is true. Verified by the Father. He who sent Me bears witness of Me!**

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**Just where is your father? Jesus said they neither knew Him nor His Father. Step two.**

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**I'm going away and you will die in your sins! Where I'm going (above) you cannot come**

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**I'm not of this world (I'm God!). Only salvation is belief in Me! I have been saying this!!**

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**If you don't believe, you challenge Who He says He is! Who are you? Ans: I've told you!**

What was the *major point* the Pharisees did not understand? **8:27, 5:30, 7:16, 8:16**

**They did not understand that Jesus had been speaking to them about the Father (God).**

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**As He was saying these things (whole passage), many believed in Him. Was it true faith?**