Questions on John chapter 5

1. What do you make of the “moving of the water” statement and why do you think part of verse 3 and all of verse 4 are left out of the American Standard Version? Verses 1-4.

2. How did Jesus know how long the man had been afflicted and how did the length of it preclude any possible deception? Verses 5-6.

3. What measure of faith do you think the man had? Verses 7-8.

4. Why did Jesus deliberately choose the Sabbath day to perform this miracle? Verses 9-10.

5. How was the man’s answer an effective response to the charge of a violation of the Sabbath? Verses 11-12.

6. Where did Jesus find the man later and what did Jesus say to him? Verses 13-14.

7. Why did the Jews persecute Jesus when they found out it was he who healed the man on the Sabbath? Verses 15-16.

8. What was the second reason the Jews were opposed to Jesus and how did Jesus justify his actions on the Sabbath? Verses 17-18.

9. How does Jesus explain his ability to perform miracles and to what greater works could he be referring? Verses 19-20.

10. What two powers will the Son exercise that will show his equality with the Father? Verses 21-22.

11. Do we have eternal life as an actual present possession or in promise and prospect? Verses 23-24. (See 1 John 2:25)

12. Who were the dead that were to “hear” the voice of the Son of God and live? Verses 25-27.

13. Not all who heard his voice believed, but how many will hear his voice and come forth at the resurrection of the body? Verses 28-29.

14. Why is Jesus' judgment righteous? Verse 30.

15. What two bear witness to Jesus—one in the past and one ever-present? Verses 31-32.

16. How could Jesus say the testimony he received was not from man if he referred to John? Verses 33-34.

17. How were the works of Jesus a greater witness than that of John? Verses 35-36.

18. How was it inconsistent for the Jews to boast of their knowledge of God and yet reject the testimony of Jesus? Verse 37.

19. In what way did the Jews show their unbelief in God? Verse 38.

20. Since the Jews were diligent students of the Scriptures how did they demonstrate their unbelief of them, and why would they not have life? Verses 39-40.

21. Although Jesus did not seek the glory of men, he did want belief, but why did he not receive it? Verses 41-42.

22. Why would men receive one who comes in his own name but not Jesus who came in the name of his Father? Verses 43-44.

23. How does Moses accuse the Jews? Verse 45.

24. How did the Jews reject the one they claimed to trust by rejecting Jesus? Verses 46-47.