

John 8:31-36

Chapter 7, at the feast of Tabernacles, Jesus proclaims that he is the water of life. Chapter 8 begins with the woman caught in adultery, but continues the Tabernacles visit, the next day, Jesus proclaims that he is the light of the world. This leads to a confrontation with the Pharisees, who complain that he is bearing witness to himself [bragging?] but more serious than this because Jesus takes their accusations as an accusation that he is lying, and that it is not just his witness, but is also the testimony of the Father [and the whole thing is therefore true, having been confirmed by the testimony of 2 witnesses]. Jesus then accuses them of sin. Some Jews were persuaded by Jesus words, and our text is the discourse addressed to them. The turning point is that while persuaded by Jesus, they cannot believe, because their faith is in being children of Abraham. Jesus response is that the evidence, their works, show them not to be the children of Abraham, but of the Devil. The chapter concludes with Jesus pronouncement that he has not been convicted of sin, but those who oppose him have been convicted. Sin leads to sin, and the denial of sin leads to false accusations about Jesus, anger and hatred, this peaks in their response to Jesus words "*Before Abraham was, I am*" where they pick up stones to kill him.

So, the key point is that while persuaded by Jesus, they cannot believe, because their faith is really in being children of Abraham. This is what makes this an appropriate Reformation text, and underscores the 3 sola's: "*Sola Gratia, Sola Fides, and Sola Scriptura*" But more precisely it is really a "Sola Jesu" for he is the only name given under heaven in which there is a full and complete salvation. It thus convicts all who trust in "other gods" while reminding the true disciple of the wondrous gift of salvation which is ours in Jesus Name. But it doesn't stop there, for it calls the true disciple to continue [*remain*] in the Word, not that works save us, but failing to remain in the Word is to loose hold of salvation, the forgiveness of sins, and all the protections God has provided to keep us free from slavery to the world, the flesh and the devil.

8:31

Ἐλεγεν οὖν ὁ Ἰησοῦς πρὸς τοὺς πεπιστευκότας αὐτῷ Ἰουδαίους, Ἐὰν ὑμεῖς μείνητε ἐν τῷ λόγῳ τῷ ἐμῷ, ἀληθῶς μαθηταὶ μου ἐσ

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Parallels:

John 15:7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you.

John 15:14 You are my friends if you do what I command you.

2John 9 Any one who goes ahead and does not abide in the doctrine of Christ does not have God; he who abides in the doctrine has both the Father and the Son.

Acts 11:23 When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose;

Ἐλεγεν οὖν - 3x in John, although this is the only imperfect active indicative -

4:9 The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samar'ia?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.

8:31 Jesus then said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples,

18:17 The maid who kept the door said to Peter, "Are not you also one of this man's disciples?" He said, "I am not."

ὁ Ἰησοῦς - 165x in John with article, 244x in John wo/article -

1:29, 1:36, 1:37, 1:38, 1:42, 1:42, 1:43, 1:47, 2:1, 2:2, 2:3, 2:4, 2:7, 2:11, 2:13, 2:22, 3:22, 4:1, 4:7, 4:17, 4:21, 4:26, 4:34, 4:48, 4:50, 4:50, 4:53, 4:54, 5:6, 5:8, 5:14, 5:16, 5:19, 6:1, 6:5, 6:10, 6:11, 6:17, 6:19, 6:22, 6:24, 6:26, 6:29, 6:32, 6:35, 6:53, 6:61, 6:64, 6:67, 6:70, 7:1, 7:6, 7:16, 7:28, 7:33, 7:37, 8:10, 8:11, 8:12, 8:25, 8:28, 8:31, 8:34, 8:39, 8:42, 9:14, 9:37, 9:39, 9:41, 10:6, 10:7, 10:23, 10:25, 10:32, 10:34, 11:4, 11:5, 11:13, 11:14, 11:17, 11:21, 11:23, 11:25, 11:30, 11:35, 11:39, 11:40, 11:44, 11:56, 12:3, 12:7, 12:9, 12:11, 12:12, 12:14, 12:21, 12:22, 12:35, 13:1, 13:10, 13:21, 13:23, 13:23, 13:25, 13:26, 13:27, 13:29, 14:6, 14:9, 16:19, 18:11, 18:12, 18:15, 18:15, 18:19, 18:22, 18:28, 18:32, 18:33, 18:37, 19:1, 19:5, 19:9, 19:13, 19:16, 19:18, 19:20, 19:23, 19:25, 19:28, 19:30, 19:33, 19:38, 19:38, 19:40, 19:42, 20:2, 20:12, 20:14, 20:19, 20:21, 20:26, 20:29, 20:30, 21:1, 21:5, 21:7, 21:10, 21:12, 21:15, 21:17, 21:20, 21:21, 21:22, 21:23, 21:25

πρὸς τοὺς πεπιστευκότας - NT Hapax, any form -

πεπιστευκότας - verb occurs 98x in John, in the perfect 6x, and the perfect active infinitive

1x -

3:18 He who believes in him is not condemned; he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

6:69 and we have believed, and have come to know, that you are the Holy One of God."

8:31 Jesus then said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples,

11:27 She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, he who is coming into the world."

16:27 for the Father himself loves you, because you have loved me and have believed that I came from the Father.

20:29 Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."

πεπιστευκότας αὐτῷ - 4x in John -

2:24 but Jesus did not trust himself to them,

4:42 They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."

4:53 The father knew that was the hour when Jesus had said to him, "Your son will live"; and he himself believed, and all his household.

8:31 Jesus then said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples,

πεπιστευκότας . . . Ἰουδαίους - 2x in John -

8:31 Jesus then said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples,

9:18 The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight,

Ἰουδαίους - 71x in John, 65x w/article, 6x wo/article * -

3:25 Now a discussion arose between John's disciples and a Jew over purifying.

4:9 The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samar'ia?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans.

8:31 Jesus then said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples,

11:33 When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled;

18:35 Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me; what have you done?"

Do take a moment to see how the Ἰουδαίους develops in John, from neutral to complete opposition against Jesus. While it is currently politically correct to condemn anti-Semitism, this is NOT what is going on here, when *they* move from neutrality to opposition, they thus condemn themselves, as do all others who stand against God, and against His Anointed. There is only ONE way to heaven, Jesus Christ, and this must be clearly proclaimed to all, even if it offends [we, of course, do not try to be offensive, yet the Word calls people to choose, and the law does convict of sin]. We can only grasp the Gospel promises by grace through faith [and it takes both hands].

1:19 And this is the testimony of John, when the Jews sent priests and Levites from Jerusalem to ask him, "Who are you?"

2:6 Now six stone jars were standing there, for the Jewish rites of purification, each holding twenty or thirty gallons.

2:13 The Passover of the Jews was at hand, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

2:18 The Jews then said to him, "What sign have you to show us for doing this?"

2:20 The Jews then said, "It has taken forty-six years to build this temple, and will you raise it up in three days?"

3:1 Now there was a man of the Pharisees, named Nicodemus, a ruler of the Jews.

3:22 After this Jesus and his disciples went into the land of Judea; there he remained with them and baptized.

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4:22 You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews.

5:1 After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem.

5:10 So the Jews said to the man who was cured, "It is the sabbath, it is not lawful for you to carry your pallet."

5:15 The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him.

5:16 And this was why the Jews persecuted Jesus, because he did this on the sabbath.

5:18 This was why the Jews sought all the more to kill him, because he not only broke the sabbath but also called God his Father, making himself equal with God.

6:4 Now the Passover, the feast of the Jews, was at hand.

6:41 The Jews then murmured at him, because he said, "I am the bread which came down from heaven."

6:52 The Jews then disputed among themselves, saying, "How can this man give us his flesh to eat?"

7:1 After this Jesus went about in Galilee; he would not go about in Judea, because the Jews sought to kill him.

7:2 Now the Jews' feast of Tabernacles was at hand.

7:11 The Jews were looking for him at the feast, and saying, "Where is he?"

7:13 Yet for fear of the Jews no one spoke openly of him.

7:15 The Jews marveled at it, saying, "How is it that this man has learning, when he has never studied?"

7:35 The Jews said to one another, "Where does this man intend to go that we shall not find him? Does he intend to go to the Dispersion among the Greeks and teach the Greeks?"

8:22 Then said the Jews, "Will he kill himself, since he says, Where I am going, you cannot come'?"

8:31 Jesus then said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples,

8:48 The Jews answered him, "Are we not right in saying that you are a Samaritan and have a demon?"

8:52 The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon. Abraham died, as did the prophets; and you say, If any one keeps my word, he will never taste death.'

8:57 The Jews then said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?"

9:18 The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight,

9:22 His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if any one should confess him to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue.

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10:19 There was again a division among the Jews because of these words.

10:24 So the Jews gathered round him and said to him, "How long will you keep

10:31 The Jews took up stones again to stone him.

10:33 The Jews answered him, "It is not for a good work that we stone you but for blasphemy; because you, being a man, make yourself God."

11:8 The disciples said to him, "Rabbi, the Jews were but now seeking to stone you, and are you going there again?"

11:19 and many of the Jews had come to Martha and Mary to console them concerning their brother.

11:31 When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there.

11:33 When Jesus saw her weeping, and the Jews who came with her also weeping, he was deeply moved in spirit and troubled;

11:36 So the Jews said, "See how he loved him!"

11:45 Many of the Jews therefore, who had come with Mary and had seen what he did, believed in him;

11:54 Jesus therefore no longer went about openly among the Jews, but went from there to the country near the wilderness, to a town called E'phraim; and there he stayed with the disciples.

11:55 Now the Passover of the Jews was at hand, and many went up from the country to Jerusalem before the Passover, to purify themselves.

12:9 When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Laz'arus, whom he had raised from the dead.

12:11 because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus.

13:33 Little children, yet a little while I am with you. You will seek me; and as I said to the Jews so now I say to you, Where I am going you cannot come.'

18:12 So the band of soldiers and their captain and the officers of the Jews seized Jesus and bound him.

18:14 It was Ca'iaphas who had given counsel to the Jews that it was expedient that one man should die for the people.

18:20 Jesus answered him, "I have spoken openly to the world; I have always taught in synagogues and in the temple, where all Jews come together; I have said nothing secretly.

18:31 Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and judge him by your own law." The Jews said to him, "It is not lawful for us to put any man to death."

18:33 Pilate entered the praetorium again and called Jesus, and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

18:35 Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me; what have you done?"

18:36 Jesus answered, "My kingship is not of this world; if my kingship were of this world, my servants would fight, that I might not be handed over to the Jews; but my kingship is not from the world."

18:38 Pilate said to him, "What is truth?" After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again, and told them, "I find no crime in him.

18:39 But you have a custom that I should release one man for you at the Passover; will you have me release for you the King of the Jews?"

5:24 Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears my word and believes him who sent me, has eternal life; he does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

8:52 The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon. Abraham died, as did the prophets; and you say, If any one keeps my word, he will never taste death.'

14:23 Jesus answered him, "If a man loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.

14:24 He who does not love me does not keep my words; and the word which you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

15:20 Remember the word that I said to you, A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also.

And it might also be wise to remember the other phrase which may well be equivalent in John:

τὰς ἐντολὰς τὰς ἐμὰς

14:15 "If you love me, you will keep my commandments.

15:12 "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.

λόγω - 40x in John -

1:1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God.

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1:14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

2:22 When therefore he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this; and they believed the scripture and the word which Jesus had spoken.

4:37 For here the saying holds true, One sows and another reaps.'

4:39 Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony, "He told me all that I ever did."

4:41 And many more believed because of his word.

4:50 Jesus said to him, "Go; your son will live." The man believed the word that Jesus spoke to him and went his way.

5:24 Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears my word and believes him who sent me, has eternal life; he does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.

5:38 and you do not have his word abiding in you, for you do not believe him whom he has sent.

6:60 Many of his disciples, when they heard it, said, "This is a hard saying; who can listen to it?"

7:36 What does he mean by saying, You will seek me and you will not find me,' and, Where I am you cannot come'?"

7:40 When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This is really the prophet."

8:31 Jesus then said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples,

8:37 I know that you are descendants of Abraham; yet you seek to kill me, because my word finds no place in you.

8:43 Why do you not understand what I say? It is because you cannot bear to hear my word.

8:51 Truly, truly, I say to you, if any one keeps my word, he will never see death."

8:52 The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon. Abraham died, as did the prophets; and you say, If any one keeps my word, he will never taste death.'

8:55 But you have not known him; I know him. If I said, I do not know him, I should be a liar like you; but I do know him and I keep his word.

10:19 There was again a division among the Jews because of these words.

10:35 If he called them gods to whom the word of God came (and scripture cannot be broken),

12:38 it was that the word spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "Lord, who has believed our report, and to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?"

12:48 He who rejects me and does not receive my sayings has a judge; the word that I have spoken will be his judge on the last day.

14:23 Jesus answered him, "If a man loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him.

14:24 He who does not love me does not keep my words; and the word which you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

14:24 He who does not love me does not keep my words; and the word which you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me.

15:3 You are already made clean by the word which I have spoken to you.

15:20 Remember the word that I said to you, A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also.

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15:25 It is to fulfil the word that is written in their law, They hated me without a cause.'

17:6 "I have manifested thy name to the men whom thou gavest me out of the world; thine they were, and thou gavest them to me, and they have kept thy word.

17:14 I have given them thy word; and the world has hated them because they are not of the world, even as I am not of the world.

17:17 Sanctify them in the truth; thy word is truth.

17:20 "I do not pray for these only, but also for those who believe in me through their word,

18:9 This was to fulfil the word which he had spoken, "Of those whom thou gavest me I lost not one."

18:32 This was to fulfil the word which Jesus had spoken to show by what death he was to die.

19:8 When Pilate heard these words, he was the more afraid;

19:13 When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called The Pavement, and in Hebrew, Gab'batha.

21:23 The saying spread abroad among the brethren that this disciple was not to die; yet Jesus did not say to him that he was not to die, but, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?"

For the sake of the complete picture, I would also remind you of the other "word" ῥήματα 12x in

John -

3:34 For he whom God has sent utters the words of God, for it is not by measure that he gives the Spirit;

5:47 But if you do not believe his writings, how will you believe my words?"

6:63 It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh is of no avail; the words that I have spoken to you are spirit and life.

6:68 Simon Peter answered him, "Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life;

8:20 These words he spoke in the treasury, as he taught in the temple; but no one arrested him, because his hour had not yet come.

8:47 He who is of God hears the words of God; the reason why you do not hear them is that you are not of God."

10:21 Others said, "These are not the sayings of one who has a demon. Can a demon open the eyes of the blind?"

12:47 If any one hears my sayings and does not keep them, I do not judge him; for I did not come to judge the world but to save the world.

12:48 He who rejects me and does not receive my sayings has a judge; the word that I have spoken will be his judge on the last day.

14:10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority; but the Father who dwells in me does his works.

15:7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you.

17:8 for I have given them the words which thou gavest me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from thee; and they have believed that thou didst send me.

ἀληθῶς μαθηταί μου - NT Hapax

ἀληθῶς - 7x in John -

1:47 Jesus saw Nathan'a-el coming to him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!"

4:42 They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard for ourselves, and we know that this is indeed the Savior of the world."

6:14 When the people saw the sign which he had done, they said, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world!"

7:26 And here he is, speaking openly, and they say nothing to him! Can it be that the authorities really know that this is the Christ?

7:40 When they heard these words, some of the people said, "This is really the prophet."

8:31 Jesus then said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples,

17:8 for I have given them the words which thou gavest me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from thee; and they have believed that thou didst send me.

μαθηταί μου - 4x in NT -

Matt 26:18 He said, "Go into the city to a certain one, and say to him, The Teacher says, My time is at hand; I will keep the passover at your house with my disciples."

Mark 14:14 and wherever he enters, say to the householder, The Teacher says, Where is my guest room, where I am to eat the passover with my disciples?"

Luke 22:11 and tell the householder, The Teacher says to you, Where is the guest room, where I am to eat the passover with my disciples?"

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μαθηταί - 78x in John -

1:35, 1:37, 2:2, 2:11, 2:12, 2:17, 2:22, 3:22, 3:25, 4:1, 4:2, 4:8, 4:27, 4:31, 4:33, 6:3, 6:8, 6:12, 6:16, 6:22, 6:22, 6:24, 6:60, 6:61, 6:66, 7:3, 8:31, 9:2, 9:27, 9:28, 9:28, 11:7, 11:8, 11:12, 11:54, 12:4, 12:16, 13:5, 13:22, 13:23, 13:35, 15:8, 16:17, 16:29, 18:1, 18:1, 18:2, 18:15, 18:15, 18:16, 18:17, 18:19, 18:25, 19:26, 19:27, 19:27, 19:38, 20:2, 20:3, 20:4, 20:8, 20:10, 20:18, 20:19, 20:20, 20:25, 20:26, 20:30, 21:1, 21:2, 21:4, 21:7, 21:8, 21:12, 21:14, 21:20, 21:23, 21:24

ἐστε - present active indicative

8:32

καὶ γνώσεσθε τὴν ἀλήθειαν, καὶ ἡ ἀλήθεια ἐλευθερώσει ὑμᾶς.
and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

γνώσεσθε τὴν ἀλήθειαν - 2x in NT, no LXX -

John 8:32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

2John 1:1 The elder to the elect lady and her children, whom I love in the truth, and not only I but also all who know the truth,

Aristotele *Protr* 103.8

καταγέλαστον ἡδὴ τὸ μὴ πάντα πόνον πονεῖν καὶ πάσαν σπουδὴν σπουδάζειν ὅπως κτήσεται ταύτην τὴν φρόνησιν ἡτις **γνωσεται τὴν ἀλήθειαν**. Γνοίη δ' αὖν τις τὸ αὐτὸ καὶ ἀπὸ τούτων, εἰ θεωρήσειεν ὑπ' αὐγάς τὸν ἀνθρωπίον βίον.

Again for the sake of completeness, note: ἐπίγνωσιν ἀληθείας does occur 5x in NT -

1Tim 2:4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth.

2Tim 2:25 correcting his opponents with gentleness. God may perhaps grant that they will repent and come to know the truth,

2Tim 3:7 who will listen to anybody and can never arrive at a knowledge of the truth.

Titus 1:1 Paul, a servant of God and an apostle of Jesus Christ, to further the faith of God's elect and their knowledge of the truth which accords with godliness,

Heb 10:26 For if we sin deliberately after receiving the knowledge of the truth, there no longer remains a sacrifice for sins,

γνώσεσθε - 56x in John, future middle deponent indicative, 7x in John -

7:17 if any man's will is to do his will, he shall know whether the teaching is from God or whether I am speaking on my own authority.

8:28 So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of man, then you will know that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own authority but speak thus as the Father taught me.

8:32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

13:7 Jesus answered him, "What I am doing you do not know now, but afterward you will understand."

13:35 By this all men will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another."

14:7 If you had known me, you would have known my Father also; henceforth you know him and have seen him."

14:20 In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you.

1:10, 1:48, 2:24, 2:25, 3:10, 4:1, 4:53, 5:6, 5:42, 6:15, 6:69, 7:17, 7:26, 7:27, 7:49, 7:51, 8:27, 8:28, 8:32, 8:43, 8:52, 8:55, 10:6, 10:14, 10:14, 10:15, 10:15, 10:27, 10:38, 10:38, 11:57, 12:9, 12:16, 13:7, 13:12, 13:28, 13:35, 14:7, 14:7, 14:7, 14:9, 14:17, 14:17, 14:20, 14:31, 15:18, 16:3, 16:19, 17:3, 17:7, 17:8, 17:23, 17:25, 17:25, 17:25, 19:4, 21:17

ἀλήθειαν - 25x in John -

1:14 And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld his glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father.

1:17 For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

3:21 But he who does what is true comes to the light, that it may be clearly seen that his deeds have been wrought in God.

4:23 But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him.

4:24 God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth."

5:33 You sent to John, and he has borne witness to the truth.

8:32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."

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 8:45 But, because I tell the truth, you do not believe me.
 8:46 Which of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me?
 14:6 Jesus said to him, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me.
 14:17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him; you know him, for he dwells with you, and will be in you.
 15:26 But when the Counselor comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, even the Spirit of truth, who proceeds from the Father, he will bear witness to me;
 16:7 Nevertheless I tell you the truth: it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Counselor will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you.
 16:13 When the Spirit of truth comes, he will guide you into all the truth; for he will not speak on his own authority, but whatever he hears he will speak, and he will declare to you the things that are to come.
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 17:19 And for their sake I consecrate myself, that they also may be consecrated in truth.
 18:37 Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I have come into the world, to bear witness to the truth. Every one who is of the truth hears my voice."
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 18:38 Pilate said to him, "What is truth?" After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again, and told them, "I find no crime in him."

ἀλήθεια ἐλευθερώσει - NT Hapax, No LXX -

ἐλευθερώσει ὑμᾶς - 2x in NT -

John 8:32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."
 Romans 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set me free from the law of sin and death.

ἐλευθερώσει - 7x in NT - future active indicative, NT Hapax, although Romans 8:21 has a future passive indicative. - *to cause someone to be set free or to be released (from slavery)* - it is a powerful redemption word, **remember**, it was the duty of family members to redeem any family member from slavery by paying debt or ransom. It is a verb of action, but it is not something one can do for oneself, otherwise you wouldn't have become a slave.

John 8:32 and you will know the truth, and the truth will make you free."
 John 8:36 So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.
 Romans 6:18 and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.
 Romans 6:22 But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the return you get is sanctification and its end, eternal life.
 Romans 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set me free from the law of sin and death.
 Romans 8:21 because the creation itself will be set free from its bondage to decay and obtain the glorious liberty of the children of God.
 Gal 5:1 For freedom Christ has set us free; stand fast therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

8:33

ἀπεκρίθησαν πρὸς αὐτόν, Σπέρμα' Αβραάμ' ἐσμεν καὶ οὐδενὶ δεδουλεύκαμεν πώποτε· πῶς σὺ λέγεις ὅτι Ἐλεύθεροι γενήσεσθε;

They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham, and have never been in bondage to any one. How is it that you say, You will be made free'?"

Parallels:

Luke 3:8 Bear fruits that befit repentance, and do not begin to say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father'; for I tell you, God is able from these stones to raise up children to Abraham.
 1John 2:21 I write to you, not because you do not know the truth, but because you know it, and know that no lie is of the truth.

ἀπεκρίθησαν πρὸς - 4x in NT, ἀπεκρίθησαν πρὸς αὐτο 3x in NT * -

*Luke 4:4 And Jesus answered him, "It is written, Man shall not live by bread alone."

*Luke 6:3 And Jesus answered, "Have you not read what David did when he was hungry, he and those who were with him:

*John 8:33 They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham, and have never been in bondage to any one. How is it that you say, You will be made free'?"

Acts 3:12 And when Peter saw it he addressed the people, "Men of Israel, why do you wonder at this, or why do you stare at us, as though by our own power or piety we had made him walk?

ἀπεκρίθησαν - 78x in John -aorist passive deponent indicative 72x in John -

1:21, 1:26, 1:48, 1:49, 1:50, 2:18, 2:19, 3:3, 3:5, 3:9, 3:10, 3:27, 4:10, 4:13, 4:17, 5:7, 5:11, 5:17, 5:19, 6:7, 6:26, 6:29, 6:43, 6:68, 6:70, 7:16, 7:20, 7:21, 7:46, 7:47, 7:52, 8:14, 8:19, 8:33, 8:34, 8:39, 8:48, 8:49, 8:54, 9:3, 9:11, 9:20, 9:25, 9:27, 9:30, 9:34, 9:36, 10:25, 10:32, 10:33, 10:34, 11:9, 12:23, 12:30, 12:34, 13:7, 13:8, 13:26, 13:36, 13:38, 14:23, 16:31, 18:5, 18:8, 18:20, 18:22, 18:23, 18:30, 18:34, 18:35, 18:36, 18:37, 19:7, 19:11, 19:15, 19:22, 20:28, 21:5

Σπέρμα' Αβραάμ ἔσμεν - 3x in NT -

John 8:33 They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham, and have never been in bondage to any one. How is it that you say, You will be made free'?"

John 8:37 I know that you are descendants of Abraham; yet you seek to kill me, because my word finds no place in you.

2Cor 11:22 Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they descendants of Abraham? So am I.

Σπέρμα' Αβραάμ - 6x in NT -

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Romans 9:7 and not all are children of Abraham because they are his descendants; but "Through Isaac shall your descendants be named."

Romans 11:1 I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin.

2Cor 11:22 Are they Hebrews? So am I. Are they Israelites? So am I. Are they descendants of Abraham? So am I.

Heb 2:16 For surely it is not with angels that he is concerned but with the descendants of Abraham.

Σπέρμα - 3x in John -

7:42 Has not the scripture said that the Christ is descended from David, and comes from Bethlehem, the village where David was?"

8:33 They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham, and have never been in bondage to any one. How is it that you say, You will be made free'?"

8:37 I know that you are descendants of Abraham; yet you seek to kill me, because my word finds no place in you.

Αβραάμ - 11x in John - as you will note Abraham is the center of the text, and it is resolved in 8:58

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8:40 but now you seek to kill me, a man who has told you the truth which I heard from God; this is not what Abraham did.

8:52 The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon. Abraham died, as did the prophets; and you say, If any one keeps my word, he will never taste death.'

8:53 Are you greater than our father Abraham, who died? And the prophets died! Who do you claim to be?"

8:56 Your father Abraham rejoiced that he was to see my day; he saw it and was glad."

8:57 The Jews then said to him, "You are not yet fifty years old, and have you seen Abraham?"

8:58 Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am."

οὐδενὶ δεδουλεύκαμεν πώποτε - NT Hapax -

οὐδενὶ - 53x in John -

1:18, 3:2, 3:13, 3:32, 4:27, 5:19, 5:22, 5:30, 6:44, 6:63, 6:65, 7:4, 7:13, 7:19, 7:26, 7:27, 7:30, 7:44, 8:10, 8:11, 8:15, 8:20, 8:28, 8:33, 8:54, 9:4, 9:33, 10:18, 10:29, 10:41, 11:49, 12:19, 13:28, 14:6, 14:30, 15:5, 15:13, 15:24, 16:5, 16:22, 16:23, 16:24, 16:29, 17:12, 18:9, 18:20, 18:31, 18:38, 19:4, 19:11, 19:41, 21:3, 21:12

δεδουλεύκαμεν - 25x in NT, but only here in John - perfect active indicative, NT Hapax - *to be a slave of someone - to be under the control of some influence and to serve the interests of such - to serve, normally in a humble manner and in response to the demands or commands of others* - This is a decidedly odd claim, Herod was of questionable background, probably an Edomite, and then there is the whole question of servitude to Rome. In the Old Testament, it is made clear that an Israelite shall not enslave and Israelite, if one (out of debt) becomes a slave, it shall only be for 6 years, and he shall be as a hired servant, not a slave. Josephus BJ 2.342-365ff has a speech by Agrippa urging the Jews not to go to war with the Romans, even if it is hard to be enslaved to them, a point he repeatedly makes [they are enslaved].

πώποτε - 4x in John - the *never* is emphatic, they have no need of Jesus -

1:18 No one has ever seen God; the only Son, who is in the bosom of the Father, he has made him known.

5:37 And the Father who sent me has himself borne witness to me. His voice you have never heard, his form you have never seen;

6:35 Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; he who comes to me shall not hunger, and he who believes in me shall never thirst.

8:33 They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham, and have never been in bondage to any one. How is it that you say, You will be made free'?"

πῶς σὺ λέγεις - 2x in NT -

John 8:33 They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham, and have never been in bondage to any one. How is it that you say, You will be made free'?"

John 14:9 Jesus said to him, "Have I been with you so long, and yet you do not know me, Philip? He who has seen me has seen the Father; how can you say, Show us the Father'?"

Ἐλεύθεροι γενήσεσθε - 2x in NT -

John 8:33 They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham, and have never been in bondage to any one. How is it that you say, You will be made free'?"

1Cor 7:21 Were you a slave when called? Never mind. But if you can gain your freedom, avail yourself of the opportunity.

Ἐλεύθεροι - 23x in NT - *pertaining to being free - pertaining to a person who is not a slave, either one who has never been a slave or one who was a slave formerly but is no longer* -

Matt 17:26 And when he said, "From others," Jesus said to him, "Then the sons are free.

John 8:33 They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham, and have never been in bondage to any one. How is it that you say, You will be made free'?"

John 8:36 So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

Romans 6:20 When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness.

Romans 7:3 Accordingly, she will be called an adulteress if she lives with another man while her husband is alive. But if her husband dies she is free from that law, and if she marries another man she is not an adulteress.

1Cor 7:21 Were you a slave when called? Never mind. But if you can gain your freedom, avail yourself of the opportunity.

1Cor 7:22 For he who was called in the Lord as a slave is a freedman of the Lord. Likewise he who was free when called is a slave of Christ.

1Cor 7:39 A wife is bound to her husband as long as he lives. If the husband dies, she is free to be married to whom she wishes, only in the Lord.

1Cor 9:1 Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are not you my workmanship in the Lord?

1Cor 9:19 For though I am free from all men, I have made myself a slave to all, that I might win the more.

1Cor 12:13 For by one Spirit we were all baptized into one body -- Jews or Greeks, slaves or free -- and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

Gal 3:28 There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus.

Gal 4:22 For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by a slave and one by a free woman.

Gal 4:23 But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, the son of the free woman through promise.

Gal 4:26 But the Jerusalem above is free, and she is our mother.

Gal 4:30 But what does the scripture say? "Cast out the slave and her son; for the son of the slave shall not inherit with the son of the free woman."

Gal 4:31 So, brethren, we are not children of the slave but of the free woman.

Eph 6:8 knowing that whatever good any one does, he will receive the same again from the Lord, whether he is a slave or free.

Col 3:11 Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scyth'ian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

1Peter 2:16 Live as free men, yet without using your freedom as a pretext for evil; but live as servants of God.

Rev 6:15 Then the kings of the earth and the great men and the generals and the rich and the strong, and every one, slave and free, hid in the caves and among the rocks of the mountains,

Rev 13:16 Also it causes all, both small and great, both rich and poor, both free and slave, to be marked on the right hand or the forehead,

Rev 19:18 to eat the flesh of kings, the flesh of captains, the flesh of mighty men, the flesh of horses and their riders, and the flesh of all men, both free and slave, both small and great."

γενήσεσθε - 51x in John, future middle deponent, 5x -

4:14 but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."

8:33 They answered him, "We are descendants of Abraham, and have never been in bondage to any one. How is it that you say, You will be made free'?"

10:16 And I have other sheep, that are not of this fold; I must bring them also, and they will heed my voice. So there shall be one flock, one shepherd.

15:7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you.

16:20 Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy.

8:34

ἀπεκρίθη αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς, Ἀμὴν ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι πᾶς ὁ ποιῶν τὴν ἁμαρτίαν δοῦλός ἐστιν τῆς ἁμαρτίας.

Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, every one who commits sin is a slave to sin.

Parallels:

Romans 6:16 Do you not know that if you yield yourselves to any one as obedient slaves, you are slaves of the one whom you obey, either of sin, which leads to death, or of obedience, which leads to righteousness?

Romans 6:20 When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness.

2Peter 2:19 They promise them freedom, but they themselves are slaves of corruption; for whatever overcomes a man, to that he is enslaved.

1John 3:8 He who commits sin is of the devil; for the devil has sinned from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.

Genesis 4:7 If you do well, will you not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin is couching at the door; its desire is for you, but you must master it."

ἀπεκρίθη αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς - 6x in John -

6:26 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you seek me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves.

6:70 Jesus answered them, "Did I not choose you, the twelve, and one of you is a devil?"

8:34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, every one who commits sin is a slave to sin.

10:25 Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness to me;

10:32 Jesus answered them, "I have shown you many good works from the Father; for which of these do you stone me?"

10:34 Jesus answered them, "Is it not written in your law, I said, you are gods'?"

ὁ Ἰησοῦς - 165x in John with article, 244x in John wo/article - see 8:31 above

Ἀμὴν ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν - 25x in NT, all in John - Very Emphatic sayings!

- 1:51 And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."
- 3:3 Jesus answered him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born anew, he cannot see the kingdom of God."
- 3:5 Jesus answered, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless one is born of water and the Spirit, he cannot enter the kingdom of God."
- 3:11 Truly, truly, I say to you, we speak of what we know, and bear witness to what we have seen; but you do not receive our testimony.
- 5:19 Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, the Son can do nothing of his own accord, but only what he sees the Father doing; for whatever he does, that the Son does likewise."
- 5:24 Truly, truly, I say to you, he who hears my word and believes him who sent me, has eternal life; he does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life.
- 5:25 "Truly, truly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live."
- 6:26 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you seek me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves."
- 6:32 Jesus then said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven; my Father gives you the true bread from heaven."
- 6:47 Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes has eternal life."
- 6:53 So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you;"
- 8:34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, every one who commits sin is a slave to sin."
- 8:51 Truly, truly, I say to you, if any one keeps my word, he will never see death."
- 8:58 Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, before Abraham was, I am."
- 10:1 "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who does not enter the sheepfold by the door but climbs in by another way, that man is a thief and a robber;"
- 10:7 So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, I am the door of the sheep."
- 12:24 Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit."
- 13:16 Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him."
- 13:20 Truly, truly, I say to you, he who receives any one whom I send receives me; and he who receives me receives him who sent me."
- 13:21 When Jesus had thus spoken, he was troubled in spirit, and testified, "Truly, truly, I say to you, one of you will betray me."
- 13:38 Jesus answered, "Will you lay down your life for me? Truly, truly, I say to you, the cock will not crow, till you have denied me three times."
- 14:12 "Truly, truly, I say to you, he who believes in me will also do the works that I do; and greater works than these will he do, because I go to the Father."
- 16:20 Truly, truly, I say to you, you will weep and lament, but the world will rejoice; you will be sorrowful, but your sorrow will turn into joy."
- 16:23 In that day you will ask nothing of me. Truly, truly, I say to you, if you ask anything of the Father, he will give it to you in my name."
- 21:18 Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you girded yourself and walked where you would; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish to go."

Ἀμὴν - 50x in John always in the phrase - Ἀμὴν ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν

παῖς ὁ ποιῶν τὴν ἀμαρτίαν - 2x in NT -

- John 8:34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, every one who commits sin is a slave to sin."
- 1John 3:4 Every one who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness.

παῖς ὁ ποιῶν - 3x in NT -

- John 8:34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, every one who commits sin is a slave to sin."
- 1John 2:29 If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that every one who does right is born of him."
- 1John 3:4 Every one who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness.

ὁ ποιῶν - present participle w/article, 11x in NT -

- Matt 7:21 "Not every one who says to me, Lord, Lord,' shall enter the kingdom of heaven, but he who does the will of my Father who is in heaven."

Matt 13:41 The Son of man will send his angels, and they will gather out of his kingdom all causes of sin and all evildoers,
 John 8:34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, every one who commits sin is a slave to sin.
 Romans 3:12 All have turned aside, together they have gone wrong; no one does good, not even one."
 Heb 1:7 Of the angels he says, "Who makes his angels winds, and his servants flames of fire."
 James 3:18 And the harvest of righteousness is sown in peace by those who make peace.
 1John 2:29 If you know that he is righteous, you may be sure that every one who does right is born of him.
 1John 3:4 Every one who commits sin is guilty of lawlessness; sin is lawlessness.
 1John 3:7 Little children, let no one deceive you. He who does right is righteous, as he is righteous.
 1John 3:8 He who commits sin is of the devil; for the devil has sinned from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.
 Rev 21:27 But nothing unclean shall enter it, nor any one who practices abomination or falsehood, but only those who are written in the Lamb's book of life.

ποιῶν τὴν ἁμαρτίαν - 3x in NT -

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 1John 3:8 He who commits sin is of the devil; for the devil has sinned from the beginning. The reason the Son of God appeared was to destroy the works of the devil.

ἁμαρτίαν - 17x in John - *to act contrary to the will and law of God - a state of sinfulness as an integral element of someone's nature - the moral consequence of having sinned* - παράπτωμα:

what a person has done in transgressing the will and law of God by some false step or failure - does not occur in John, although ὀφείλω : to commit a sin against someone and thus to incur moral debt - does at 13:14, and 19:7 -

1:29 The next day he saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world!
 8:21 Again he said to them, "I go away, and you will seek me and die in your sin; where I am going, you cannot come."
 8:24 I told you that you would die in your sins, for you will die in your sins unless you believe that I am he."
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 8:34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, every one who commits sin is a slave to sin.
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 8:46 Which of you convicts me of sin? If I tell the truth, why do you not believe me?
 9:34 They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out.
 9:41 Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, We see, your guilt remains.
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 15:22 If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin.
 15:22 If I had not come and spoken to them, they would not have sin; but now they have no excuse for their sin.
 15:24 If I had not done among them the works which no one else did, they would not have sin; but now they have seen and hated both me and my Father.
 16:8 And when he comes, he will convince the world concerning sin and
 16:9 concerning sin, because they do not believe in me;
 19:11 Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore he who delivered me to you has the greater sin."
 20:23 If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

δοῦλός τῆς ἁμαρτίας - 3x in NT -

John 8:34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, every one who commits sin is a slave to sin.
 Romans 6:17 But thanks be to God, that you who were once slaves of sin have become obedient from the heart to the standard of teaching to which you were committed,
 Romans 6:20 When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness.

δοῦλός - 11x in John -

4:51 As he was going down, his servants met him and told him that his son was living.
 8:34 Jesus answered them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, every one who commits sin is a slave to sin.
 8:35 The slave does not continue in the house for ever; the son continues for ever.
 13:16 Truly, truly, I say to you, a servant is not greater than his master; nor is he who is sent greater than he who sent him.
 15:15 No longer do I call you servants, for the servant does not know what his master is doing; but I have called you friends, for all that I have heard from my Father I have made known to you.
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15:20 Remember the word that I said to you, 'A servant is not greater than his master.' If they persecuted me, they will persecute you; if they kept my word, they will keep yours also.

18:10 Then Simon Peter, having a sword, drew it and struck the high priest's slave and cut off his right ear. The slave's name was Malchus.

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18:18 Now the servants and officers had made a charcoal fire, because it was cold, and they were standing and warming themselves; Peter also was with them, standing and warming himself.

18:26 One of the servants of the high priest, a kinsman of the man whose ear Peter had cut off, asked, "Did I not see you in the garden with him?"

8:35

ὁ δὲ δοῦλος οὐ μένει ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα, ὁ υἱὸς μένει εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα.

The slave does not continue in the house for ever; the son continues for ever.

Parallels:

Galatians 4:30 But what does the scripture say? "Cast out the slave and her son; for the son of the slave shall not inherit with the son of the free woman."

John 12:34 The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Christ remains for ever. How can you say that the Son of man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of man?"

δοῦλος - 11x in John, see 8:34 above

οὐ μένει - 2x in NT -

Luke 8:27 And as he stepped out on land, there met him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes, and he lived not in a house but among the tombs.

John 8:35 The slave does not continue in the house for ever; the son continues for ever.

μένει - 38x in John - present active indicative, 11x * - in John, God is the one who abides with his people, first in Jesus, and continuing in the Holy Spirit, who continues Jesus work.

1:32 And bore witness, "I saw the Spirit descend as a dove from heaven, and it remained on him.

*1:38 Jesus turned, and saw them following, and said to them, "What do you seek?" And they said to him, "Rabbi" (which means Teacher), "where are you staying?"

*1:39 He said to them, "Come and see." They came and saw where he was staying; and they stayed with him that day, for it was about the tenth hour.

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2:12 After this he went down to Capernaum, with his mother and his brothers and his disciples; and there they stayed for a few days.

*3:36 He who believes in the Son has eternal life; he who does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God rests upon him.

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6:27 Do not labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of man will give to you; for on him has God the Father set his seal."

*6:56 He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood abides in me, and I in him.

7:9 So saying, he remained in Galilee.

8:31 Jesus then said to the Jews who had believed in him, "If you continue in my word, you are truly my disciples,

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*9:41 Jesus said to them, "If you were blind, you would have no guilt; but now that you say, 'We see,' your guilt remains.

10:40 He went away again across the Jordan to the place whereat first baptized, and there he remained.

11:6 So when he heard that he was ill, he stayed two days longer in the place where he was.

11:54 Jesus therefore no longer went about openly among the Jews, but went from there to the country near the wilderness, to a town called E'phraim; and there he stayed with the disciples.

*12:24 Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit.

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 12:46 I have come as light into the world, that whoever believes in me may not remain in darkness.
 14:10 Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father in me? The words that I say to you I do not speak on my own authority; but the Father who dwells in me does his works.
 *14:17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him; you know him, for he dwells with you, and will be in you.
 14:25 "These things I have spoken to you, while I am still with you.
 15:4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me.
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 15:5 I am the vine, you are the branches. He who abides in me, and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing.
 15:6 If a man does not abide in me, he is cast forth as a branch and withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire and burned.
 15:7 If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask whatever you will, and it shall be done for you.
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 15:9 As the Father has loved me, so have I loved you; abide in my love.
 15:10 If you keep my commandments, you will abide in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and abide in his love.
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 15:16 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide; so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you.
 19:31 Since it was the day of Preparation, in order to prevent the bodies from remaining on the cross on the sabbath (for that sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.
 21:22 Jesus said to him, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!"
 21:23 The saying spread abroad among the brethren that this disciple was not to die; yet Jesus did not say to him that he was not to die, but, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?"

ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ - 3x in John - note how the "*in the house with Jesus*" theme is concluded at 14:2

8:35 The slave does not continue in the house for ever; the son continues for ever.
 11:31 When the Jews who were with her in the house, consoling her, saw Mary rise quickly and go out, they followed her, supposing that she was going to the tomb to weep there.
 14:2 In my Father's house are many rooms; if it were not so, would I have told you that I go to prepare a place for you?

εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα - 12x in John -

4:14 but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life."
 6:51 I am the living bread which came down from heaven; if any one eats of this bread, he will live for ever; and the bread which I shall give for the life of the world is my flesh."
 6:58 This is the bread which came down from heaven, not such as the fathers ate and died; he who eats this bread will live for ever."
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 8:51 Truly, truly, I say to you, if any one keeps my word, he will never see death."
 8:52 The Jews said to him, "Now we know that you have a demon. Abraham died, as did the prophets; and you say, If any one keeps my word, he will never taste death."
 10:28 and I give them eternal life, and they shall never perish, and no one shall snatch them out of my hand.
 11:26 and whoever lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"
 12:34 The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Christ remains for ever. How can you say that the Son of man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of man?"
 13:8 Peter said to him, "You shall never wash my feet." Jesus answered him, "If I do not wash you, you have no part in me."
 14:16 And I will pray the Father, and he will give you another Counselor, to be with you for ever,

ὁ υἱὸς - 55x in John, 50x w/article - 41x it refers to Jesus as the Son [Son of God (8x) or Son of Man(12x)] -

1:34 And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

1:49 Nathan'a-el answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!"

1:51 And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."

3:13 No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man.

3:14 And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up,

3:16 For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life.

3:17 For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

3:18 He who believes in him is not condemned; he who does not believe is condemned already, because he has not believed in the name of the only Son of God.

3:35 the Father loves the Son, and has given all things into his hand.

3:36 He who believes in the Son has eternal life; he who does not obey the Son shall not see life, but the wrath of God rests upon him.

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5:20 For the Father loves the Son, and shows him all that he himself is doing; and greater works than these will he show him, that you may marvel.

5:21 For as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to whom he will.

5:22 The Father judges no one, but has given all judgment to the Son,

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5:25 "Truly, truly, I say to you, the hour is coming, and now is, when the dead will hear the voice of the Son of God, and those who hear will live.

5:26 For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself,

5:27 and has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of man.

6:27 Do not labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to eternal life, which the Son of man will give to you; for on him has God the Father set his seal."

6:40 For this is the will of my Father, that every one who sees the Son and believes in him should have eternal life; and I will raise him up at the last day."

6:53 So Jesus said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink his blood, you have no life in you;

6:62 Then what if you were to see the Son of man ascending where he was before?

8:28 So Jesus said, "When you have lifted up the Son of man, then you will know that I am he, and that I do nothing on my own authority but speak thus as the Father taught me.

8:35 The slave does not continue in the house for ever; the son continues for ever.

8:36 So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

9:35 Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of man?"

10:36 do you say of him whom the Father consecrated and sent into the world, You are blaspheming,' because I said, I am the Son of God'?

11:4 But when Jesus heard it he said, "This illness is not unto death; it is for the glory of God, so that the Son of God may be glorified by means of it."

11:27 She said to him, "Yes, Lord; I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, he who is coming into the world."

12:23 And Jesus answered them, "The hour has come for the Son of man to be glorified.

12:34 The crowd answered him, "We have heard from the law that the Christ remains for ever. How can you say that the Son of man must be lifted up? Who is this Son of man?"

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13:31 When he had gone out, Jesus said, "Now is the Son of man glorified,

14:13 Whatever you ask in my name, I will do it, that the Father may be glorified in the Son;

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19:7 The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and by that law he ought to die, because he has made himself the Son of God."

20:31 but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in his name.

8:36

ἐὰν οὖν ὁ υἱὸς ὑμᾶς ἐλευθερώσῃ, ὄντως ἐλεύθεροι ἔσεσθε.

So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

Parallels:

Romans 6:18 and, having been set free from sin, have become slaves of righteousness.

Romans 6:22 But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the return you get is sanctification and its end, eternal life.

Romans 8:2 For the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set me free from the law of sin and death.

1Corinthians 7:23 You were bought with a price; do not become slaves of men.

2Corinthians 3:17 Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom.

Galatians 5:1 For freedom Christ has set us free; stand fast therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery.

ἐὰν οὖν - 2x in John -

6:62 Then what if you were to see the Son of man ascending where he was before?

8:36 So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

ὁ υἱὸς - see 8:35 above

ἐλευθερώσῃ - 2x in John, see 8:32 above - here, aorist active subjunctive

ὄντως - 10x in NT - *pertaining to actual existence* -

Mark 11:32 But shall we say, 'From men?' -- they were afraid of the people, for all held that John was a real prophet.

Luke 23:47 Now when the centurion saw what had taken place, he praised God, and said, "Certainly this man was innocent!"

Luke 24:34 who said, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!"

John 8:36 So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

1Cor 14:25 the secrets of his heart are disclosed; and so, falling on his face, he will worship God and declare that God is really among you.

Gal 3:21 Is the law then against the promises of God? Certainly not; for if a law had been given which could make alive, then righteousness would indeed be by the law.

1Tim 5:3 Honor widows who are real widows.

1Tim 5:5 She who is a real widow, and is left all alone, has set her hope on God and continues in supplications and prayers night and day;

1Tim 5:16 If any believing woman has relatives who are widows, let her assist them; let the church not be burdened, so that it may assist those who are real widows.

1Tim 6:19 thus laying up for themselves a good foundation for the future, so that they may take hold of the life which is life indeed.

ἐλεύθεροι - 2x in John, see 8:33 above

ἔσεσθε - future middle deponent indicative, 6x in John -

6:45 It is written in the prophets, 'And they shall all be taught by God.' Every one who has heard and learned from the Father comes to me.

8:36 So if the Son makes you free, you will be free indeed.

8:55 But you have not known him; I know him. If I said, I do not know him, I should be a liar like you; but I do know him and I keep his word.

12:26 If any one serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there shall my servant be also; if any one serves me, the Father will honor him.

14:17 even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him; you know him, for he dwells with you, and will be in you.

19:24 so they said to one another, "Let us not tear it, but cast lots for it to see whose it shall be." This was to fulfil the scripture, "They parted my garments among them, and for my clothing they cast lots."

