

**Big idea: Defending the gospel is worth it no matter the cost because what Jesus claimed is impossible to ignore.**

**I. Let's review John 1-8**

**A. The key verse – JOHN 20:30-31**

**B. The desired result is that we might BELIEVE**

**C. The selection of events is to prove a truth – Jesus is GOD**

**D. There are 7 SIGNS; 7 I AM'S with a PREDICATE and 7 WITHOUT**

**E. The Temple discourse started back in 7:10 and is highly ANTAGONISTIC and filled with personal ATTACKS**

**II. Here we go yet again...**

**A. The FIRST accusation and REPLY vs. 48-51**

**1. A two-part accusation v. 48**

- You're a SAMARITAN

- You're DEMONIZED

**2. A two-part reply vs. 49-51 (I am the giver of ETERNAL LIFE)**

- You couldn't be more WRONG

- I can't make a promise GREATER than this

**B. The SECOND accusation and reply vs. 52-56**

**1. The accusation vs. 52-53**

- Jesus you're CRAZY
- Who do you THINK you are?

**2. The reply vs. 54-56 (I am GLORIFIED by the Father)**

- Check out my REFERENCES
- You're not like ABRAHAM

**C. The THIRD accusation and reply vs. 57-58**

**1. The accusation v. 57 – they're hung up on BIRTHDAYS**

**2. The reply v. 58 (I am GOD) – Jesus is into THEOLOGY**

**D. The FINALE v. 59 – there's no mistake – they GET IT!**

**III. What we take away...**

The most loving thing we can do for anyone is to tell them the truth about Jesus, sin and the judgment to come