

**Jesus is God**  
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John 8:31-59  
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Synopsis:

I told you last week that if you are confused about the Trinity, look at the communion table and imagine God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit sitting around it. This week we ask how does one join the family table of the Trinity. The answer is in Jesus, the Son of God, through the power of the Spirit.

I.

The Table: The Image of Family Fellowship

John 8:42 "If God were your Father, you would love me"

Tabernacles: chs 7-8

Booths in wilderness, light, bread, slavery, water from rock

Issue: Who knows the Father

Jesus began to believe Jesus

Table: bread, water, slavery

II.

The Table: How We Left the Family

John 8:43 "You are from your father, the devil"

Jews think they are in the family through birth:

-born a Christian

-Parents Christian

-Made a confession years ago

-come to church

\*Gen 12:3 "In you all families blessed"

Jesus says all people are out of the family:

-left family through sin, slaves

-status is of no consequence

\*Gen 12:3 begins a rescue operation

### III.

The Table: How We Get Back into the Family

John 8:35 “The slave does not have a permanent place; the son has a place there forever”

Come to Jesus: convert

Remain in Jesus: pray, Scripture, Discipleship Essentials, work

Table: Relationship Jesus has with Father by the Spirit