

QUESTIONING CHRIST'S IDENTITY

JOHN 8:25-32

I. THE LORD RESPONDED TO THE QUESTION "WHO ART THOU?" BY ASSERTING HIS CONSISTENCY (8:25-26)

- A. What He Had Said From The Beginning Was Still Valid (8:25b)
- B. Though There Were Many Things He Could Have Said To Them, He Reaffirms His Organic Connection To The Father (8:26)

II. THE LORD RESPONDED TO THE QUESTION "WHO ART THOU?" BY REAFFIRMING THE THEOLOGY OF HIS BEING "LIFTED UP" (8:28-29)

- A. John Uses This Terminology In Three Different Places
 - 1. John 3:14-15
 - 2. John 8:28
 - 3. John 12:32
- B. Once Again, The Lord Reaffirms His Solidarity With The Father, Even In The Context Of His Upcoming Execution (8:29)

III. THE LORD RESPONDED TO THE QUESTION "WHO ART THOU?" BY DIRECTLY ADDRESSING THOSE WHO HAD "BELIEVED" (8:30-32)

- A. There Are Two Kinds Of Belief
- B. Encouragement To Keep On In A Verified Discipleship
 - 1. Promise Of A Discerning Spiritual Knowledge
 - 2. Promise Of Being Set Free