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Unit I: Love Completes, Law Falls Short

Subject: Who Is Trustworthy?

Text: John 7: 14-24

Key Verse:

He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory: but he that seeketh his glory that sent him, the same is true, and no unrighteousness is in him (John 7: 18, KJV).

Lesson Pointers:

- 1) Trustworthiness-Its Source (John 7: 14- 17)**
- 2) Trustworthiness-Its Motivation (John 7: 18 - 20)**
- 3) Trustworthiness-the Evidence (John 7: 21 – 24)**

Introduction:

Living in times like these it is sometime hard to find trustworthy people in this season of political, social, and religious double dealings. People who have been given the responsibility by the LORD JESUS CHRIST to lead and to look out for the least fortunate, or the poor, among us, but instead they stoop down to lying, and character assassination of those that the LORD JESUS CHRIST calls them to protect and to serve. Leaders like the former President Donald Trump, lying, character assassination of those who go against him, because he feels that they are a threat to his position, and his hearts greed to exploit GOD'S people (read 1 Timothy 6: 5; 2 Peter 2: 14-15; Jude 11). We are to stay away from such a leader. True leaders who are trustworthy seeks to glorify the LORD JESUS CHRIST and not themselves. This is a trustworthy and GOD sent servant, who is to be recognized and obeyed because GOD has sent him to lead HIS people in such a time like these. If the leader is not seeking to glorify GOD, then we should not follow him (them).

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Lesson Pointer # 1

- Trustworthiness-Its Source (John 7; 14 – 17)**
JESUS CHRIST at the midst of the feast went up into the Temple, and taught (John 7: 14). Now, all the Jewish leaders marvelled, asking, how does this man know letters, being he having never learned (John 7: 15). JESUS CHRIST answered them saying, that HIS doctrine is not of HIS, but of HIS that sent HIM (John 7: 16). And if any man does GOD'S

will, he will know of the doctrine, whether it be of GOD, or whether I speak of myself (John 7: 17). Trustworthiness and its source JESUS CHRIST the Son of GOD.
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Lesson Pointer # 2

- Trustworthiness-Its Motivation (John 7: 18 – 20)

JESUS CHRISIT said, He that speaketh of himself seeketh his own glory; but he that seeketh his (GOD'S) glory that sent him (JESUS CHRIST), the same is true, and know unrighteousness is in him (John 7: 18). JESUS CHRIST said to the Jewish leaders did not Moses give you the law, and none of you kept the law. So, why is it that you go about to kill me (JESUS CHRIST) (John 7: 19)? The Jewish leaders answers and said, that thou (JESUS CHRIST) hast a devil: who goeth about to kill thee (John 7: 20)?

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Lesson Pointer # 3

- Trustworthiness-the Evidence (John 7: 21- 24)

JESUS CHRIST answered the Jeish leaders saying, that HE did one work (miracle) and ye all marvel. This showing and proving JESUS CHRIST'S trustworthiness of HIS teaching and character (John 7: 21). JESUS CHRIST continue to tell the Jewish leader of Moses giving them unto them circumcision; not because it is of Moses, but of the Fathers; and ye on the sabbath day circumcise a man (John 7: 22). JESUS CHRIST said that if a man on sabbath day receive circumcision, that the law of Moses be not broken, why are you angry with me (JESUS CHRISIT) healing a man's whole body on the sabbath (John 7: 23)? JESUS CHRISIT then let the Jewish leaders know not to judge according to the appearances, but judge righteous judgment or judge correctly (John 7: 24).

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Nuggets of the Lesson:

- 1) Acknowledge GOD as our source of teaching and by our willingness to obey GOD.
- 2) Seek to glorify GOD and not ourselves.
- 3) Validate our teaching and ministry by demonstrating compassionate concern for others.