

Sunday School Texts, May 17

1 John 1 1 That which was from the beginning, which we have heard, which we have seen with our eyes (ἑώρακαμεν τοῖς ὀφθαλμοῖς ἡμῶν), which we have looked upon (ἑθεασάμεθα), and our hands have handled, concerning the Word of life— 2 the life was manifested, and we have seen (ἑώρακαμεν), and bear witness, and declare to you that eternal life which was with the Father and was manifested to us— 3 that which we have seen (ἑώρακαμεν) and heard we declare to you, that you also may have communion (κοινωνίαν) with us and, indeed, our communion (κοινωνία) with the Father and with His Son Jesus Christ.

John 8 42 Jesus said to them, “If God were your Father, you would love me (ἠγαπάτε ἄν ἐμέ), for I proceeded forth and came from God; nor have I come of myself, but He sent me.”

John 14 15 If you love me (ἀγαπάτέ με), keep my commandments.

John 14 28 If you loved me (ἠγαπάτέ με), you would rejoice because I said, “I am going to the Father”

John 21 15 So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon Johnson, do you love me (ἀγαπᾷς με) more than these?”

He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love you (φιλῶ σε).”

He said to him, “Feed my lambs.”

16 He said to him again a second time, “Simon, Johnson, do you love me (ἀγαπᾷς με)?” He said to him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love you (φιλῶ σε).”

He said to him, “Tend my sheep.”

17 He said to him the third time, “Simon Johnson, do you love me (φιλεῖς με)?” Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, “Do you love me (φιλεῖς με)?”

And he said to him, “Lord, you know all things; you know that I love you (φιλῶ σε).”

Jesus said to him, “Feed my sheep.”

1 Peter 1 6 In this you greatly rejoice, though now for a little while, if necessary, you have been grieved by various trials, 7 that the genuineness of your faith, much more precious than gold that perishes, though it is tested by fire, may be found to praise, honor, and glory at the revelation of Jesus Christ, 8 whom—not having seen—you love (ὄν οὐκ ἰδόντες ἀγαπᾶτε), and in whom—still not seeing—you believe (εἰς ὃν ἄρτι μὴ ὁρῶντες πιστεύοντες); you rejoice with joy inexpressible and full of glory, 9 receiving the goal (τὸ τέλος) of your faith—the salvation of your souls.

John 20 24 Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. 25 The other disciples therefore said to him, “We have seen the Lord.” So he said to them, “Unless I see (ἴδω) in his hands the print of the nails and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into his side, I will not believe (οὐ μὴ πιστεύσω).”

26 And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, “Peace to you!” 27 Then he said to Thomas, “Reach your finger here, and see (ἴδε) my hands; and reach out and put your hand into my side. Do not be unbelieving but believing (μὴ γίνου ἄπιστος ἀλλὰ πιστός).” 28 And Thomas answered and said to Him, “My Lord and my God!”

29 Jesus said to him, because you have seen me, you have believed (ὅτι ἑώρακάς με πεπίστευκας). Blessed are those who have not seen but have believed (οἱ μὴ ἰδόντες καὶ πιστεύσαντες).”

30 And truly Jesus did many other signs in the presence of His disciples, which are not written in this book; 31 but these are written that you may believe (πιστεύσατε) that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing (πιστεύσοντες) you may have life in His name.

John 17 ²⁰ “My prayer is not for them alone. I pray also for those who believe in me through their word (πιστευόντες διὰ τοῦ λόγου αὐτῶν εἰς ἐμέ), ²¹ that they all may be one, Father, just as you are in me and I am in you. May they also be in us so that the world may believe (πιστεύῃ) that you have sent me.