March 26 Sermon – Andrew Henson

Focus Passages: John 8:31-36

**Ice Breaker:** Andrew talked about the litmus test in culture. He mentioned Coke vs Pepsi, cats vs dogs, iPhone vs Android, and coffee vs tea. Which one on this list are you most passionate about?

**Transition:**  Andrew shared that Jesus had a “Spiritual” litmus test that He used to determine where people fell in regard to Him in relation to His teachings. We will review some of those tests today.

1. Many people claim to be disciples of Jesus. According to Jesus, who are his disciples? How did Andrew define the “Pretense of faith”?
2. What do the phrases “abide in My word” and “Progress of faith” mean? How can we live in Jesus’ Word?
3. When you think of the word “freedom” what comes to mind? What does our culture say freedom is? How do our culture and Christianity differ when it comes to freedom?
4. In John 8:33, how did the Jews respond? In what sense had they never been slaves, even though they had lived in Egyptian bondage, then in Babylonian captivity?
5. According to Jesus, in verses 34-35, who are slaves? How can slaves be set free? What is the difference between a slave and a son?
6. “So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed.” (vs. 36) What has Christ set you free from in your life? Give one or two examples. What did you think about Andrew’s dirty water illustration?
7. How are truth and freedom the litmus test of knowing Jesus?