

THE RADICAL RABBI: “A RADICAL RELATIONSHIP”
(John 8:21-30) (NIV Text on Back)

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Description: *Jesus continues explaining Himself, and His relationship to His Father, to the opponents debating Him in Jerusalem.*

Do you ever remember a time when you found yourself having great difficulty trying to convince somebody of something? Was there anything important at stake? What different approaches did you use to try to make your case?

Why is Christ’s boldness so amazing?

Why did the religious experts have such difficulty in believing who Jesus truly was?

Have you found yourself having difficulty in boldly speaking about Jesus? How might this episode in Christ’s ministry help you be bolder in the future?

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21- Once more Jesus said to them, “I am going away, and you will look for me, and you will die in your sin. Where I go, you cannot come.”

22- This made the Jews ask, “Will he kill himself? Is that why he says, ‘Where I go, you cannot come’?”

23- But he continued, “You are from below; I am from above. You are of this world; I am not of this world.

24- I told you that you would die in your sins; if you do not believe that I am he, you will indeed die in your sins.”

25- “Who are you?” they asked. “Just what I have been telling you from the beginning,” Jesus replied.

26- “I have much to say in judgment of you. But he who sent me is trustworthy, and what I have heard from him I tell the world.”

27- They did not understand that he was telling them about his Father.

28- So Jesus said, “When you have lifted up the Son of Man, then you will know that I am he and that I do nothing on my own but speak just what the Father has taught me.

29- The one who sent me is with me; he has not left me alone, for I always do what pleases him.”

30- Even as he spoke, many believed in him.